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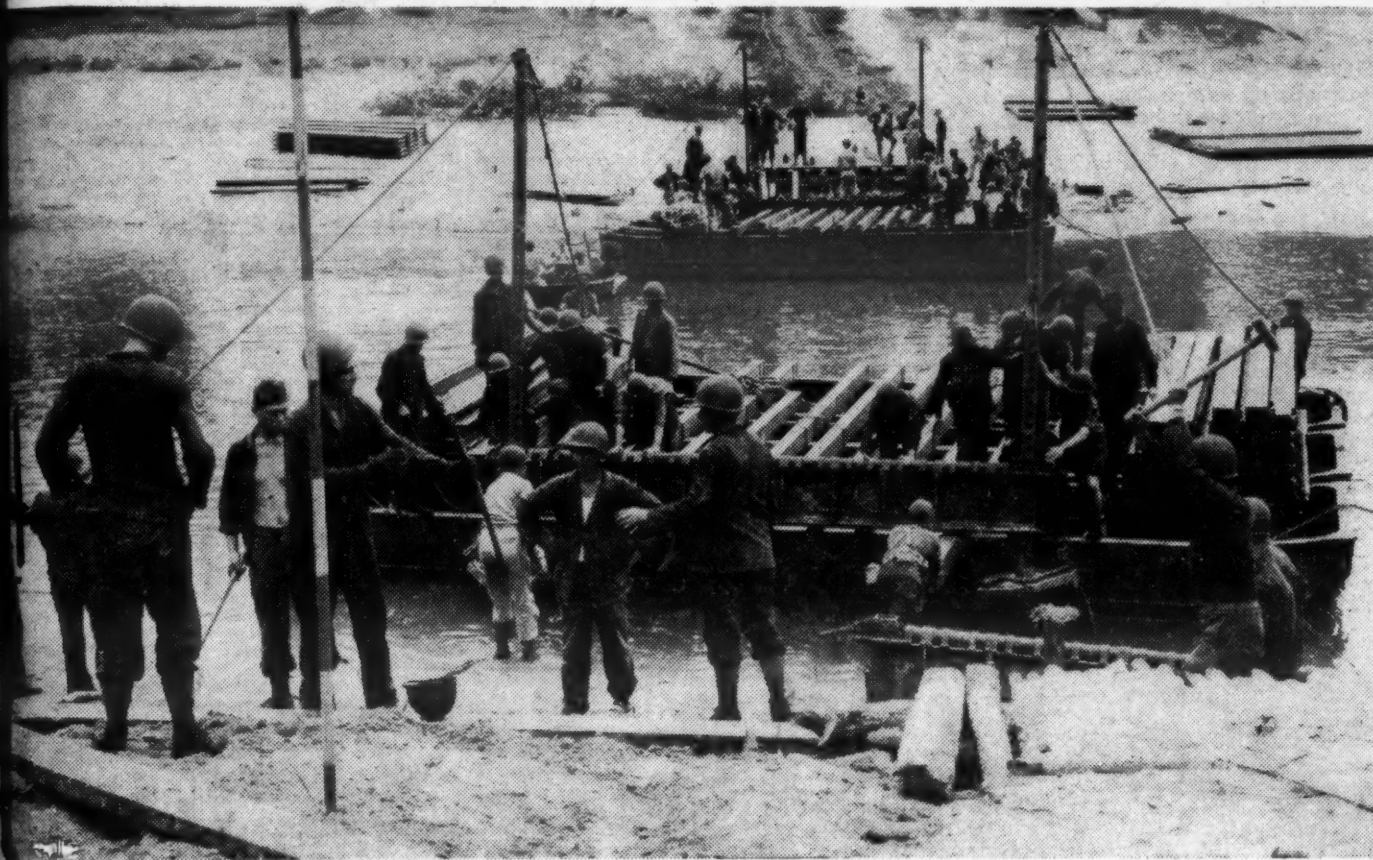
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## Form Port Battalions for Overseas Duty

### 'Land Ships' To Be Used



THIS GREAT picture illustrates better than words the extraordinary amount of work and skill the Engineers put into the job of laying a pontoon bridge. It was constructed across the Sabine river in Louisiana during the VIII Army Corps phase of the Thrd Army maneuvers.

Port battalions of the United States Army are being organized and trained to operate overseas ports to insure prompt handling of U. S. military equipment, the War Department announced Thursday.

The battalions are being formed by the new Army Transportation Corps, Services of Supply. Training of officers and men is being conducted at the Corps' Unit Training Center, Indiantown Gap, Pa.

Practical training on "land ships"—replicas of cargo vessels which are being built at the training center—will afford actual experience in correct and expeditious methods of loading and unloading military equipment and supplies. Correct operation of winches, cranes, lifts and other machines will be taught aboard these "land ships."

Many of the men who are being recruited to fill the ranks of the port battalions were stevedores in civilian life. In addition to their training in the technique of cargo handling, trainees will receive full basic instruction as soldiers, including the firing of weapons.

After completion of their training at Indiantown Gap, port battalions will be sent to ports of embarkation where they will receive further instruction in ship to pier and pier to ship cargo handling, lighterage operations, and other related tasks.

Port battalions will differ somewhat from the regular military organization and there will be no regiments. Several battalions may be assigned to a single port, depending on the need. By maintaining the battalions as individual units not a part of a larger unit, flexibility in providing necessary manpower for handling rush jobs will be assured.

## Senate Bill 'Permits' Dependent Pay

The Senate early this week passed and sent to the White House for signature a bill permitting immediate payment of allowances to dependents of men in the armed forces.

Only two of the 18 senators present voted against the measure, which eliminates a prohibition against payment of allotments prior to Nov. 1. It does not, however, specifically order the payments before that time. The Senate also was scheduled to vote on a second bill extending absentee voting privileges to all service

men in the continental United States, but action was postponed.

### Reynolds Opposed It

Voting against the dependency bill were Chairman Reynolds (D., N.C.) and Senator Thomas (D., U.) of the Military Affairs Committee which had

studied the bill, Reynolds asserted that the War Department will find it physically impossible to set up the administrative machinery required to make the payments prior to Nov. 1. The Navy has indicated it can begin payments sooner.

The measure was sponsored by Sens. Vandenberg (R., Mich.) and Clark (D., Mo.), who declared that delay of the payments until the 1st of November was a political move, designed to give military dependents their first checks just before the general elections.

est grades of enlisted men in each branch of service.

### Absentee Vote Opposed

Opposition to the absentee voting bill was voiced by Vandenberg and Sens. Danaher (R., Conn.) and George (D., Ga.), the latter charging that it would be a "right dangerous thing to do."

He said Georgia had learned from "bitter experience" that a "great deal of fraud is possible" under absentee voting.

### Certainly Is!

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—Within two days, the lifeguard at the pool here rescued three soldiers from drowning.

The hero was Pfc. Imer Swimmer.

## Second Anniversary—(Cont'd) Birthday Greetings

War Department, Office of the Chief of Staff, Washington, D. C.

During the two years of its existence, "Army Times" has done much to give the general public, as well as military personnel, a better understanding of our Army.

It was a happy coincidence that you commenced publication on August 17, 1940, the day the Senate approved President Roosevelt's request to call the National Guard and the Organized Reserves into active service. Since that time you have reported the growth and progress of our present great fighting force.

Please accept my congratulations, and best wishes for the future.

GEORGE C. MARSHALL,  
Chief of Staff

Headquarters Army Ground Forces, Army War College, Washington.

Permit me to extend my congratulations to the Army Times upon its completion of two years of publication.

L. J. McNAIR,  
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters First Army, Governors Island, New York.

I should like to offer my congratulations to you and the staff of "The Army Times" on the occasion of your second anniversary of publication on August 15 of this year.

"The Army Times" came into existence at a period when the Army of the United States was on the brink of a tremendous expansion. In the last two years, the Army has been engaged in transforming hundreds of thousands of civilians into fighting men.

I have read with interest your stories on the Army from Army camps all over the country.

H. A. DRUM,  
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army

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### Two Classes Aided

The Dependency Act provides for two classes of dependents: class A, including wives and children, and class B, embracing parents, grandchildren, brothers or sisters. A wife with no children will receive \$50 a month—\$22 deducted from her husband's check and \$28 from the Government. The Government also will pay \$12 for the first dependent child and \$10 a month for each additional one.

The deduction for class B dependents also would be \$22 a month unless the soldier or sailor is providing as well for class A kin, in which case the deduction will be only \$5. The Treasury will pay an additional \$15 for one parent, \$25 for two and \$5 a month for each grandchild, brother or sister.

The benefits apply to the four low-

### WD Forms Two New Army Corps, X and XI

The formation of two Army Corps was announced this week by Lt. Lesley J. McNair, commanding the Army Ground Forces.

The X Army Corps, commanded by Maj. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, has its headquarters at Sherman, Tex.

The XI Army Corps, commanded by Maj. Gen. Lloyd R. Fredendall, has its headquarters at Chicago.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

## Badges Ordered For Army Drivers

Regularly assigned drivers, assistant drivers and automotive mechanics in the Army will be awarded a badge with a bar signifying their qualifications, the War Department ordered last week. The award and revocation of it is to be made by the regimental, separate battalion or separate organization commander upon recommendation of the immediate organization commander.

The badge will be a cross pattee of oxidized silver with the raised representation of a disk wheel with tire placed on the center. Bars will show the following qualifications:

Driver-W, for wheeled vehicles; Driver-T, for track or half-track vehicles; Driver-M, for motor cycles; Mechanic, for automotive or allied trade mechanics.

In order to qualify for the badge, drivers must pass the regular practical and written aptitude and standard drivers' tests. They must perform duty on an Army vehicle as driver or assistant driver for three months with a

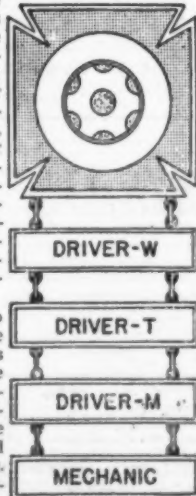
record of excellent and no accidents. They must be assigned to driving duty.

It may be revoked because of traffic accident or violation where the driver is at fault, for damage to vehicle resulting from lack of proper preventative maintenance, or for unsatisfactory rating as a driver.

Mechanics must complete the standard vehicle mechanic's course with a rating of skilled or have sufficient previous experience to qualify for the skilled rating. They must perform duty for a minimum of three months as an automotive mechanic, second echelon or higher, with a rating of excellent. They must be assigned to mechanics' duty.

Mechanics' badges may be revoked for failure to perform duties "in an excellent manner," and for unsatisfactory shop performance, indicating lack of interest, ability, or technical knowledge. If the mechanic is assigned to other duties, the badge will also be revoked.

Award and revocation of the award will be kept in the service records of the men. Badges will be obtained by the individual unit through the regular Quartermaster requisition.



## Birthday Greetings

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Headquarters Armored Force, Office of the Commanding General, Ft. Knox, Kentucky.

During the past two years "Army Times" has come each week to this Headquarters, and I have found it most interesting. Also, I have found it clean-cut and accurate.

This span of two years marks one of the most important periods in American history—the transition from peace to war—and a file of Army Times would fairly reveal the large part played by the Army in this vital transition.

You and your associates, therefore, have performed an important service; and most sincerely, I want to express my appreciation and the wish for your continued success.

JACOB L. DEVERS,  
Major General, U. S. Army

War Department, The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C.

Please accept my congratulations upon the completion of the second year of publication of "Army Times." These have been two important and critical years in the history of our Army and our country. Your publication has contributed much to a better understanding of the problems which have been raised, and solved, in the great expansion of our military forces.

With every good wish for your continued success.

J. A. ULIO,  
Major General, The Adjutant General

War Department, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

As a reader of Army Times each week, I note with interest that you are now entering your third year of publication.

I believe there is a definite place for a newspaper devoted to the Army and from what I hear Army Times is performing amply in that role.

I find your entire paper quite readable, although you can readily understand my especial interest in the Quartermaster section. We feel this type of material is of real value to Quartermasters wherever they may be stationed.

E. B. GREGORY,  
Major General, The Quartermaster General

Director Headquarters, VI Army Corps Carolina Maneuvers, APO No. 306, Dilworth, North Carolina.

Please accept my hearty congratulations on the Second Anniversary of the first issue of "ARMY TIMES."

The Army personnel who recently participated in the Carolina Maneuvers greatly enjoyed the coverage by your service paper. All accounts were tremendously interesting.

May your third year of publication be increasingly successful.

With best wishes,

E. J. DAWLEY,  
Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Fourth Armored Division, Pine Camp, New York.

I wish to extend my congratulations on your handling of the Army Times. I believe that it has been of much value to the officers and enlisted men of our Army. Its form and content are excellent, and it contains many interesting personal items. I believe the latter feature is of particular interest.

I hope that the Army Times can record our complete victory during its third year of publication.

JOHN S. WOOD,  
Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters, 30th Infantry Division, Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Noting that you are about to celebrate your second anniversary as a newspaper devoted entirely to carrying news about the Army during the present emergency, permit me to congratulate you upon the worth-while work that you have done.

This division was one of the first to be called out by the President, being inducted into the Federal Service September 16, 1940. Your paper had just issued its first publication, and your representatives called upon us, secured many subscriptions and left a reporter with us for several weeks.

The relationship has ever since been most cordial and beneficial. The paper has filled the need for the training Army in this country

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## U.S. Planes Evacuate Wounded In Burma Under Noses of Japs

Details of the evacuation of nearly 5000 wounded United Nations soldiers and refugees by Army Air Forces transport planes from the enemy-harrassed upper Irrawaddy valley during the closing stages of the battle of Burma were disclosed this week by the War Department.

For more than three weeks American pilots flying C-47s—the military counterpart of the DC-3 commercial passenger plane—shuttled back and forth across treacherous, storm-swept mountains transporting the sick and wounded to the safety of India.

The American aircraft, asked to participate in the operation by the RAF, joined a smaller number of RAF and China National Airways transports in carrying out the mass evacuation.

Brig. Gen. David N. W. Grant, the air surgeon of the Army Air Forces, and his staff have studied carefully the details of the Burma operation as a demonstration of the practicability of air evacuation when no other type of evacuation is possible.

The air route followed by the transports in the Irrawaddy valley mission took them across the Naga hills, jutting up from 12,000 to 17,000 feet be-

tween the Irrawaddy and Brahmaputra rivers. The planes were loaded down with doubled or trebled normal passenger loads for each trip, and despite extremely adverse flying conditions the entire operation was accomplished without the loss of a single American plane or a single patient.

### Bombed by Japs

The mountain range was constantly swept by storms which necessitated almost continuous blind flying. The thick storm clouds, however, were used to advantage by the Americans in evading Japanese combat planes which sought repeatedly to shoot down the unarmed transports. On sighting enemy aircraft, the transport pilots would climb quickly into the mountain storm clouds where Japanese fliers did not follow. The evacuation area was under

almost constant observation by the Japanese, who resorted to bombardment and ground strafing in unsuccessful attempts to foil the operation. Despite enemy action and dangerous weather conditions 15 to 20 flights were made daily from the area during a 10-day period when the operation was at its height.

Among the evacuees were hundreds of British and British colonial troops including Australians, Burmese and Indians. In addition, civilian refugees among them scores of women and children, poured into the upper Irrawaddy valley from the battle area of the south.

They came by train, truck and foot to the little village of Myitkyina, a transportation "dead end" in northern Burma. The wounded and the refugees were surrounded on three sides by jungle and mountains and by the advancing Japanese on the fourth.

Their only hope of escape was by air. So the sick and wounded were made as comfortable as possible on the edges of Myitkyina's little air field, and the RAF, which already had begun the evacuation, called on Col. Caleb V. Haynes, Air Corps, in command of the United States ferrying command in the India-Burma-China area, for assistance.

### Drop Medicine

Colonel Haynes personally took charge of the hazardous mission. Food and medicinal supplies were dropped to the wounded soldiers and refugees and shortly the shuttle service across the Nagas began.

The transport planes operated with crews of three and four, with personnel other than pilot and co-pilot taking over the job of preventing panicky rushing for places on the ships. Many of the wounded soldiers during latter stages of the operation were moved directly from hospital trains to the transports for the journey to India.

Civilian refugees for the most part were very young, aged, infirm or otherwise unfit to undertake the long trek through the jungle and mountain terrain on foot. The evacuation continued until the enemy had moved so near the area that capture of the air field was a matter of hours.

## Relics of First Signal Officer to Be Displayed

The swords, signal flags and historical documents of the Army's first signal officer, Brig. Gen. Albert J. Myer, have been discovered in an attic trunk and will be placed on permanent exhibition in a special section of the Signal Corps reference library in the Pentagon building, Arlington, Va. A brief acceptance ceremony was held there last Monday.

The material was contributed to the Signal Corps by the heirs of General Myer. The relics had been stored in a trunk in the attic of the Myer home in Wiscasset, Me., until a recent inquiry from the office of the Chief Signal Officer caused a search for them. Maj. Duncan Hodges, on duty near Wiscasset, made arrangements for the acceptance of the articles.

Included in the exhibit is a red-and-white signal flag, similar in design to those which appear on the

present Signal Corps insignia. The tradition in the Myer family, it is said, is that this flag was the one which signaled the news of the surrender of General Lee's Army of Northern Virginia on the battlefield near Appomattox in 1865.

Among the other relics are a sword inscribed "Medical Staff, U. S. Army," which General Myer used when he served as an assistant Army surgeon before his appointment as the Army's first signal officer, and the cavalry sabre which he carried later in his career.

during the past two years that STARS AND STRIPES did in the A. E. F. during the last war.

I wish you continued success.

W. H. SIMPSON,  
Major General, Commanding 30th Inf. Div.

Headquarters Forty-Third Infantry Division, Camp Shelby, Miss.

As the Army Times enters upon its third year of service to the armed forces, we of the 43rd Infantry Division wish to express our appreciation for all that the Times' Editors have succeeded in accomplishing—and our confidence that their efforts in the future will be commensurate with the recognized high standards of the Times.

Congratulations—for two years of solid achievement—are in order!

JOHN H. Hester,  
Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Third District, Army Air Forces Technical Training Command, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

I congratulate you most heartily on your anniversary, and wish the best of good fortune for succeeding years of publication.

JACOB E. FICKEL,  
Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding  
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## Army Gives DFC To Navy Airmen

To three Navy officers have been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross by the Army for their part in the aerial rescue of Army fliers who were stranded late in June on the treacherous ice cap of interior Greenland.

Those decorated were Lt. Aram Y. Parunak, Ensign John C. Snyder Jr. and Ensign Douglas G. MacDonald.

The fliers landed their seaplane on a small temporary lake among the mountains of the ice cap to rescue the officers and men of an Army "flying fortress" which had been forced down in that isolated section of Greenland.

Two weeks later Lieutenant Parunak repeated the feat. He rescued Col. Robert W. C. Wimsatt of the Air Corps and an Army sergeant landing in a boulder-studded glacier moraine among Greenland's mountains.

Col. Bernt Balchen, Air Corps, participated in each rescue. He led the marooned men over ice fields and around glacial crevasses to the lake where the Navy flying boat waited.



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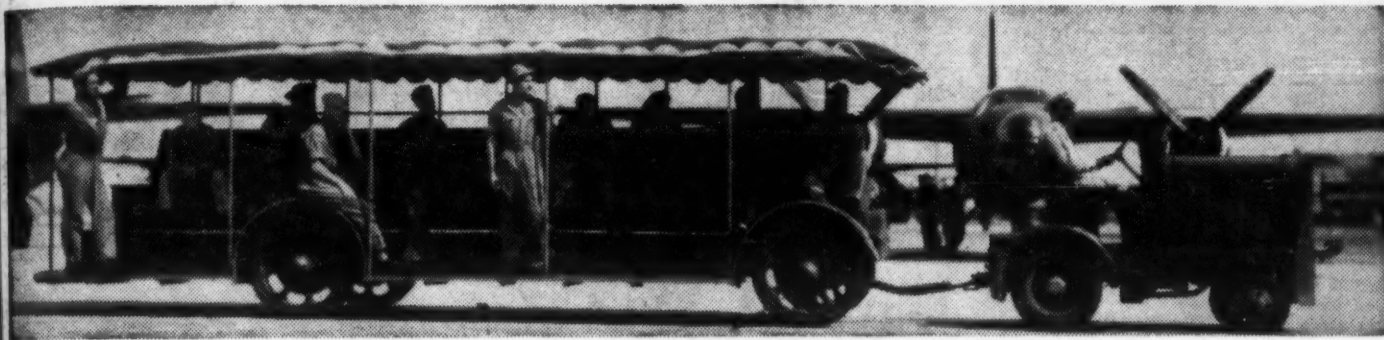
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# 'Toonerville Trolley' Saves Rubber, Gas



BARKSDALE FIELD, La.—As huge bombers roar overhead a "Toonerville trolley" crawls below as one feature of the field rubber and gas conservation program.

Built from salvaged rubber, steel and wood, the vehicle which resembles the sightseeing trams of fairs and expositions does the work of 10 or 15 "peeps" and recon cars with consequent saving of gas, rubber and general wear and tear.

Seating 40 persons, the solid rubber-tired "trolley" is pulled by a husky little tug truck over a 2½-mile route. Messengers on hurry-up errands swing on and off the ever-moving vehicle as it travels along the main streets of the post.

—Air Force Photo

## Airbase Boasts Direct Wire to Radio Station

COLUMBUS, Miss.—With the installation of a direct wire to the Columbus radio station, WCBI, the public relations office at the Columbus Army Flying School may be transformed, at a moment's notice, from a newspaper den to the quiet solitude of a broadcasting studio.

The innovation makes it possible for the PR department to put on the air interviews with the outstanding visitors to the base without inconvenience. It permits, also, broadcasting of the aviation cadet graduation exercises, by providing a radio outlet close to the amphitheatre.

The addition of the PR wire gives the air base three connections with WCBI, and provides new opportunity for further variety in the programs emanating from the base. Already offering a weekly fare of 20 diversified broadcasts, the air base is believed to possess the most prolific radio station in the Southeast Army

Air Forces Training Center, and perhaps in the entire Army.

Programs range from informal interviews to organ recitals and include a series of magic half-hours filled with the lush beauty of familiar poetry bedecked with a background of music.

The combined efforts of Cpl. Bob Backs' air base radio director, the base A. & R. office, and the Columbus radio station, WCBI, made the whole thing possible. The broadcasts serve, not only to step up the morale of the men who keep 'em flying, but also to keep civilians in constant touch with the air base.

## Rhubarb Juice---That's Latest Thing on Hot Weather Menu

COLUMBUS, O.—There are other ways of killing a cat than choking it to death, reports Lieut. Col. Frank E. Noyes, Q.M.C., Commandant of the Fifth Service Command Bakers and Cooks School. In other words, if the soldiers refuse to assimilate a plentiful supply of minerals and vitamins from an economical and readily available source because they don't like stewed rhubarb, something should be done about it.

Rhubarb, at this time of year, is cheap, plentiful and contains many valuable nutritive elements, but large portions of stewed rhubarb and rhubarb pie consigned to the garbage can after being served in messes prompted the food experts of the Service Command Quartermaster's office to exercise a little ingenuity.

The result of their endeavors, says

Lieut. Col. Noyes, is a delicious and refreshing hot weather beverage that not only has all the beneficial qualities of its chief ingredient, but appeals to the taste, even of those who do not care for rhubarb after it has been cooked.

The recipe for the new summer drink is:

One part orange or pineapple Juice.

Two parts sugar.

Four parts raw rhubarb juice.

Twelve parts water and ice.

The rhubarb should be put through a food chopper and strained to re-At a recent meeting of a local ration board at Fort Knox, Ky., when the new beverage was introduced, several glasses of it were consumed by each member of the board, at least two of whom previously had expressed a dislike for rhubarb.

## Air Force Bombardiers Now Have Their Own Song

WILLIAMS FIELD, Ariz.—The bombardiers of the Army Air Forces now have their own song, just released. It was recently introduced by the United States Army Band in Washington.

The lyrics are by Virginia Young and C. Sharpe Minor (no, we're not kidding, C Sharpe Minor), and the music was written by Emily Harris Maddox.

Here are the words:

### FIRST VERSE

We're Americans who love liberty—  
We proclaim our sacred right to be free—  
And tho' peace is our desire,  
We don't cower under fire,  
We'll preserve our great democracy.

### CHORUS

The Bombardiers—have heard you calling  
We won't fail—  
The bombardiers will keep 'em falling  
Right will prevail—  
We've sworn allegiance to our flag,  
We strike for truth, and no re-call—  
Our zeal and courage never lag.  
We pledge our ships, our lives, our all—  
The bombardiers will keep on trying  
Till we win the day—  
At the end we'll still be flying  
The good old American way.

### SECOND VERSE

When the liberty we love is at stake—  
Or the flags of other lands have been furl'd—  
It is only just and right,  
We Americans should fight,  
For the peace and freedom of the world.

## Bliss Bits

A sergeant at Fort Bliss is "sweating out" a staff sergeant's rating—he's afraid he's going to get it.

He has it all figured out that if he is promoted he will stand to lose \$54. Even if he happens to be advanced to master sergeant he will lose \$10, he says, and it will pay him more to be busted to the grade of private.

It's all due to the dependents' allowances law, which grants allowances to dependents of enlisted men of the fourth, fifth, sixth, or seventh grades, but not of the first three. The sergeant has a wife and five children.

Fate decrees peculiar things for Fort Bliss in the way of entertainment.

Because of its distance from places of entertainment, this border post seldom gets any.

Then a few weeks ago the 1st Cavalry Division left and even the Anti-Aircraft Training Center was unusually low in strength.

So what happened? So in that weekend, Carole Landis, the USO show, "Crazy Show," with Milt Britton and band, Vox Pop radio program, Dr. Michael Dorizas, the world traveler and orientation speaker and Representative R. E. Thomason visited the post all at the same time!

Yet bedridden from effects of his wounds, Cpl. Harry Newman, Detachment DEML, was presented last week with the Purple Heart, one of the most coveted of the Army's decorations, for being wounded while performing "meritorious acts of essential service" during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7.

Col. E. W. Taubee, post commander, presented the medal as Corporal Newman lay on a hospital bed in the station hospital here.

Newman was a member of a ground crew at Hickam Field, when the attack occurred. Fifty-three others in the Army were made the same award.

From September, 1939, to May, 1942, Warrant Officer C. S. Pressman, Anti-Aircraft Training Center headquarters, has held every grade open to enlisted man, and now he is to be commissioned second lieutenant in the Corps of Military Police.

Pressman has been accepted for a commission and is to go on active duty at Oglethorpe, Ga., in September. He was appointed warrant officer early this year, to climax a nine-year Army career.

A soldier, Tech. 5th Grade Leigh Tanger, is drawing the plans for a new restaurant to be built into the south corner of the main post exchange here.

Corporal Tanger, a draftsman in civilian life, is doing the same type work for the Army.

There will be at least one enthusiastic Dodger rooter at the world series next fall, if the Brooklyn Dodgers come through as expected, who will make the trip all the way from Fort Bliss.

Pvt. Ernest Cimino, Brooklyn native, who is with the dental clinic here, was awarded an order for the world series for appearing on the Vox Pop coast-to-coast broadcast last Monday at the post theatre here.

Private Cimino was the only soldier participant of the six who did not lend to the western atmosphere of the program, which was mostly about bucking broncos and rounding up cattle and the hard-riding cavalry of this cavalry post.

Appearing with the soldier sextette, and interviewing them were Carole Landis, lovely movie star, and Warren Hull, regular interviewer.

Latest addition to the enlisted ranks of the Anti-Aircraft Training Center is Texas Tuffy, a 65-pound brindle-and-white American Pit bull recently donated to the 402nd Coast Artillery Battalion by Miss Grace Bogardus of El Paso.

## Brooks Commands New 11th Armored

CAMP POLK, La.—The 11th Armored Division, America's newest addition to the Armored Force was born here Saturday before high ranking military officials who participated in the ceremonies which gave Camp Polk the distinction of being the largest Armored Force post in the nation.

Commanding the 11th is Brig. Gen. Edward H. Brooks, a hero of World War I. He assumed command of the new division when Maj. Gen. Lindsay McD. Silvester, commanding the 7th Armored Division, which perfected the organization of the 11th, read the activation order from the War Department.

General Brooks is a professional soldier, with more than 25 years service in the Army. Prior to coming here to assume command he had been closely associated with Maj. Gen. Jacob Devers, Chief of Armored Force, and has contributed greatly to many of the improvements in mechanized warfare.

A staunch believer in offensive warfare and a calculating analyst of military defense, the general gained more than one soldier's share of experience in the first World War while serving with the 76th FA in the 3rd Division in 1917 and 1918.

It was during this service overseas that his leadership and bravery asserted itself. For his handling of men under fire he had been promoted to the rank of captain, and then later, on October 5, 1918, while exposed to heavy pressure and accurate enemy artillery fire at Montfaucon, France, he hopped aboard a burning ammunition truck, after the driver of the vehicle had been killed and drove it to safety.

His prompt action averted a pos-

sible explosion and earned him the Distinguished Service Cross.

His staff for the division is composed of many of the Army's outstanding young strategists, and marks a new step in modern warfare. Staff members are: Col. Charles D. Palmer, Chief of Staff; Lt. Col. Hans D. Stockder, G-1; Lt. Col. L. E. Perry, G-2; Maj. Paul A. Chalmers, G-3, and Maj. Charles D'Orsa, G-4.

Combat command generals are Brig. Gens. Charles S. Kilburn and Charles L. Mullins.

"Our one aim," General Brooks told his officers and enlisted men when he met them for the first time, "is to reach, as quickly as possible, the peak of physical fitness, discipline and training."

## Judge Advocate School To Be Moved to Michigan

The Army's Judge Advocate General's School, located since Feb. 2 at the National University Law School in Washington, D. C., will be transferred early in September to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Maj. Gen. Myron C. Cramer, the judge advocate general of the Army, said that the problem of finding living quarters in Washington for the student officers ordered to the school for instruction and training was the chief factor influencing the move.

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## A SOLDIER EDITORIAL

## What's the Matter with Us?

Some of the men at the Holabird QM Motor Base got mad last week. They were tired of being kidded along by Hollywood and radio networks and sentimental speech-makers. They were sick of being sympathized with and called the "boys." They had joined the Army to do a job and they wanted to do it. They had heard too much talk about defense and bluebirds over Dover and roses in Ireland. So they sat down and told everyone how they felt. Here's what they wrote:

We of the "Exhaust", speaking not as individuals but as a collective voice for all soldiers on this post, say we're pretty tired of certain things we've seen . . . this namby-pamby way of getting things done.

"More Scrappee, No Jappee," "Get in the Scrap and Slap a Jap" . . . Catch-phrase stuff like this is hooey. We want to be more hardboiled than that. We're tired of being told to "Remember Pearl Harbor," especially with sentimental music. What we want to be told is:

Take Tokio, smash Berlin, raze Rome.

We want a positive program instead of a passive one. We want something to fight. We're sick of having something to fight "against." Defense bonds, defense work . . . all hooey! What we mean is war bonds, the war effort. That's our language now.

We're aching for something to get excited about, something to do, something to get rid of our pent-up energy. To fight, and fight like men.

We have a lot of deeds that need to be avenged. So far a lot of these little jobs are still hanging fire, undone, and the sooner we settle the score the better.

We see nothing amusing, funny or comical in the devilish dictators with whom we're dealing. We see nothing to laugh at in Mussolini's puffy strutting, and we don't care a hoot in Hades about Hitler's mustache.

We want to take the offensive and we want to take it psychologically before we take it physically. We want to feel that we control our own destiny by our strength, our power and our might.

We're fed up definitely and thoroughly with these cut little plaintive songs. What we want are battle songs. Don't tell us there'll be bluebirds over the white cliffs of Dover. To hell with the bluebirds. Tell us there'll be vultures over Berchtesgaden.

Yes, we're bored to death with all this stuff about keeping a stiff upper lip. We want to develop a stiff uppercut. We don't feel sad. We feel fighting mad.

Do you get how WE feel now?

—The Holabird Exhaust, Holabird QM Motor Base, Md.

## Let George Do It!



—Coakley in Washington Post

## Arnold Reports Army Planes in Action

## American-Made Aircraft Fighting on All Fronts Make Grand Showing

In a statement to the press this week, Lt. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Chief of Army Air Forces, declared that U. S. air power on world-wide fronts was meeting every sort of opposition and coming out on top. Following is the full text of his round-up of facts:

As a result of the training program which, very fortunately, began many months before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor plunged us into this war, we now find our airmen and airplanes in action in increasing strength on fronts all around the world. They are in successful action everywhere, I am glad to be able to report. They have won victories over every type of enemy aircraft.

There is ground for solid satisfaction in the record as it stands. Our airmen are proving themselves in actual combat, and I can tell you, without reservation, on the basis of the factual record of eight months of war, that the equipment our men are taking into war also is good. In fact, a great deal of it is better than good; it is superior in quality and performance.

But I would like to discuss with you primarily our training program, for this is the foundation of our aerial strength and the keystone to the successes we must achieve and will achieve over the enemy wherever he is encountered.

It is going to be necessary to draw to the utmost upon the reservoir of our finest young manhood to keep our warplanes in the forefront of this war. They must have the best and most complete training we can give them to carry the full weight of offensive action into the major war theaters to which we now have been committed.

American combat airplanes have met the test of modern war on battlefronts around the world and have performed with a high degree of efficiency even when opposed, as in

most cases to date, by numerically superior enemy forces.

The American-made fighter plane which has seen the greatest variety of aerial warfare is the Curtiss P-40.

The Curtiss P-40 airplanes, from the earliest P-40 to the latest and entirely different P-40OF, have fought on every United Nations front before and since the entry of the United States into the war. These planes are known to the British as Tomahawks, Kittyhawks and Warhawks, according to their position in the series.

## Kittyhawks in Africa

Playing a new and unsuspected role in the Libyan desert, Kittyhawks have recently taken a large part in the smashing British counteroffensive which brought the Axis drive on Alexandria to a halt. The Kittyhawks, equipped with bomb-racks, have become "Kittybombers" and, as such, are being used both against Nazi tanks and mechanized ground equipment and against Nazi aircraft, with great success in both cases.

The Kittybomber, according to reports from Egypt, is fast enough to take on any fighter built, even with bombs in the racks. As bombers they are not as vulnerable as the Stukas,

according to the Egyptian reports. The pilots are using their regular gun sights as bomb sights.

In one of their first forays as fighter-bombers, a formation of Kittyhawks flown by Australian pilots was attacked by a formation of 10 Messerschmitts. The Kittybombers went into a twisting dogfight with bombs still in the racks, shot down two of the Messerschmitts, drove off the other, and then went on with the bombing attack.

Adding to the score of brilliant actions by P-40 fighters in the Middle East, a British Air Observer at Cairo has reported that on May 18, eight P-40's (Kittyhawks) and four British Beaufighters intercepted 20 Ju-47's (transport planes), escorted by three German Messerschmitt Me-110 two-engine fighters. The P-40's accounted for seven of the transport planes and two of the Messerschmitts, according to the British observer, who reported the RAF pilots fluent in praise of the P-40's.

Another report from the Middle East Command covering actions over a certain period by the P-40D Kittyhawks and the P-40 Tomahawks relates that in offensive patrol and bomber escort operations in the Libyan battle area, 690 sorties were undertaken by Kittyhawks and 173 by Tomahawks.

A sortie is defined as one trip by one aircraft. Thus 100 fighter planes in a sweep are referred to as 100 sorties.

In addition to attacking motor transport and military targets they destroyed German aircraft as follows: Ninety on the ground; nine in the air, certain; two in the air, probable; 10 in the air, damaged. British losses during this whole period were 16 aircraft destroyed and one damaged.

## Odds 5-to-1

The early Tomahawks, now superseded by the later and better Kittyhawks and Warhawks, made impressive records on other fronts. A flight of 12 Tomahawks in the Near East encountered a mixed German and Italian force of more than 60 planes.

Fighting at odds of better than five-to-one, they destroyed 36 of the enemy planes.

Belated first-hand accounts from the Leningrad front in Russia tell of the arrival there of American Tomahawks and their introduction to battle against the Luftwaffe. The first Tomahawk went out alone, with a Major Pilyutov, a fighter pilot, at the controls. He was attacked by six German Heinkels. Fighting against these odds, Major Pilyutov downed one Heinkel and drove off the others.

"The Tomahawks are making a good showing during the present spring season, too," it is reported in another Russian account received in this country. "On April 1 they bagged eight German planes on Leningrad front. On April 13, three Tomahawks, under command of Senior Lieutenant Zelenov, shot down five Fascist planes during one engagement. Since the day when Tomahawks first appeared on Leningrad front five flyers—Pilyutov, Pokryshev, Flotok, Zelenov and Fedorenko—shot down 50 German planes."

In individual encounters in the Southwest Pacific, early and less effective models of the P-40 have acquitted themselves splendidly. On February 9, a formation of 16 P-40's intercepted 25 Japanese heavy bombers escorted by two fighters over Soerabaja. They destroyed five bombers and one of the fighters. One American plane was shot down, but the pilot parachuted to safety.

In another encounter, seven Army P-40's encountered a formation of nine enemy bombers escorted by 14 Jap fighters. The Americans shot down one of the bombers and one of the fighters, damaged four other bombers and two fighters, and forced the entire formation to turn back; a decisive victory at odds of 7-to-23.

## Against the Zeros

A communique from General Stillwell reports that 10 Jap Zeros were shot down by United States Army Air Forces fighters in the course of Japanese attacks on Hengyang on July 30 and 31. On July 30, 27 Zeros at-

tacked Hengyang. They were met by American fighters, which shot down four Japs without any loss to themselves. On the following day 35 Zeros repeated the attack. They were engaged by 13 P-40's and the American pilots shot down six Japanese planes, destruction of which was confirmed. It is believed that three others were shot down. No United States planes or pilots were lost in either of these engagements.

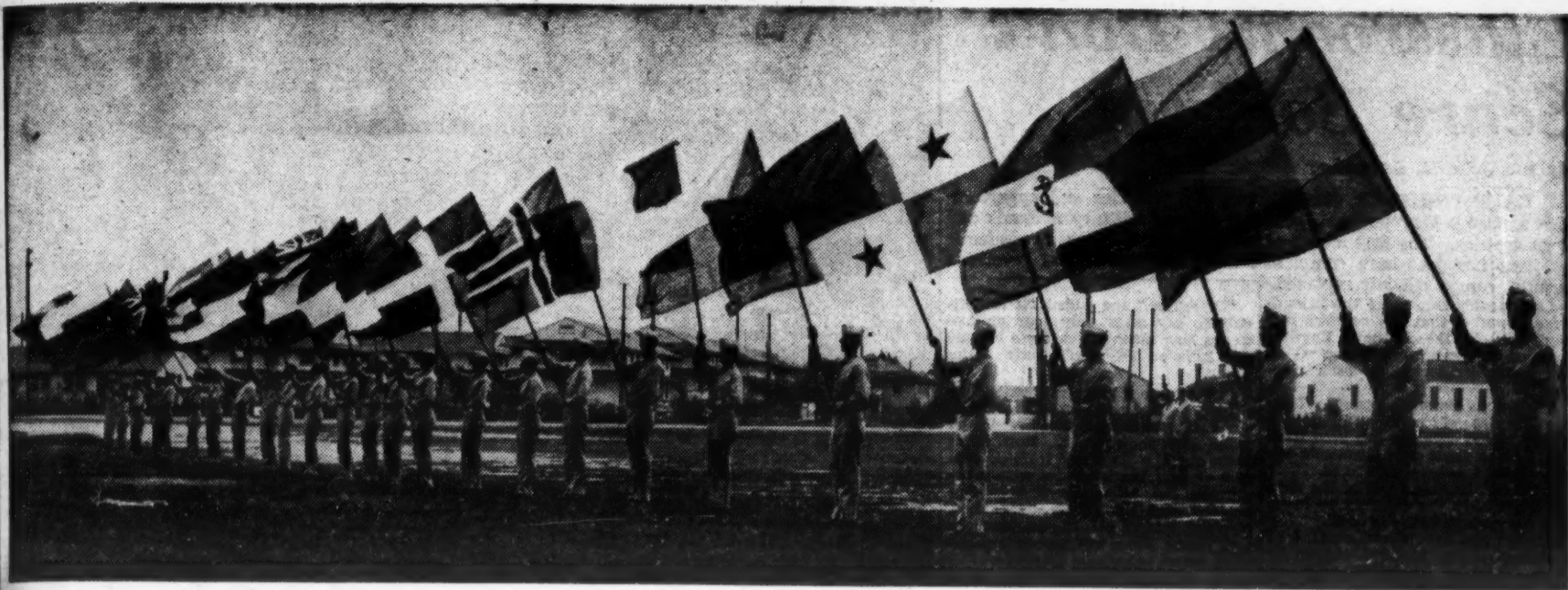
Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, Commander of United States Army Air Forces in China, has been quoted in news reports from Chungking declaring that the new Zeros, which 15 have been shot down over Hengyang, "are far better than the old ones, but inferior to our plane and it will take at least two years before the Japs are able to construct anything equaling our newest."

Other American fighter planes which have revealed superior qualities in actual battle are the Bell P-39 or Airacobra, and the North American P-51, or Mustang.

These planes, like the P-40, are medium-altitude fighters. While designed for maximum effectiveness at altitudes of about three miles, they have been defeating enemy fighters and bombers up to a height of five miles, far above the range for which they were intended.

A report from Russia has stated that a squadron of P-39's engaged and destroyed 73 German airplanes with the phenomenally small loss of only two planes. All types of German aircraft are reluctant to close with these fast, deadly, cannon-firing fighters, the report declared.

One battle report from the South Pacific relates that six P-39's flying at 8000 feet saw eight Jap Zeros several thousand feet below. The Airacobras dove to the attack and one of them collided with a Zero, wrecking the top half of the rudder, elevator and vertical fin of the Zero, which disappeared in a steep spiral, out of control. The P-39, which took the impact on its left wing, was (Continued on Page 6)



THE COLORS of all the nations which have united their efforts in a pledge to overthrow the Axis, were presented to Camp Grant, Ill., last Friday during a formal retreat ceremony on one of the post's drill fields. The 27 flags, all uniform in size, were a gift of an official of the Chicago park board.

Brig. Gen. John M. Willis, camp commander, received the colors as he and Maj. Fred W. Seymour reviewed officers and enlisted men of the 29th Medical Training battalion on parade. Later the flags were placed around the mezzanine of the camp service club.

## Barkeley Pillbox

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex. — Credit the prize crack of the week to Pfc. Eli Olbin of Headquarters Detachment, MRTC. The other night Pfc. Hugh Williamson was searching the barracks. "Where is my tie?" he demanded. "Has anyone seen it?"

Private First Class Olbin, engrossed in a magazine, looked up and inquired: "What color was it?"

### BETORT

Every sort of name has been given the A-studded caduceus which officers of Medical Administrative Corps sport on their collar. So a goodly store of comebacks is needed to fend off the wisecracks. Like this one:

An MAC second lieutenant walked into a clinic at the station hospital to find the Medical Corps officer on duty was an old home-town acquaintance who had been in the Army two weeks. The new medical officer looked at the A on the MAC's collar and inquired with daggerish emphasis: "Just what do you medical auxiliaries do?"

Without twitching a facial muscle, the MAC officer replied: "We take officers just out of civilian life and teach them how to become soldiers."

All stories to the contrary, MP's do have a heart. Returning from a march a few days ago, an MRTC column passed a couple of MP's washing a car. The men asked the MP's to turn the water on them, hoping for a little relief. Obligingly, they turned the hose on the whole column, dousing officers as well as men.

### VETERAN

The new allotment to be received by soldiers' wives really had Pvt. Fred W. Eppinhimer, Co. D, 57th Bn., MRTC in a quandary. Capt. Paul Reed, company commander, was explaining to new trainees the workings of the allotment plan. When he had finished his explanation, he asked if the men had any questions. Private Eppinhimer, an ex-jockey, rose to his feet and inquired:

"Sir, do you mean to tell me that for every time you've been married you have to make a \$22 deduction?" The captain found out later Eppinhimer had been married nine times, and was wondering how he was going to deduct \$198 out of his \$50 pension a month.

### ESCORT

The organization of the WAAC has given plenty of Army men ideas, but it seems to have had a marked effect upon one soldier in the MRTC Special Training Detachment. In a classroom, an officer was quizzing men on general orders. He asked one man to recite the second. The reply was, to the consternation of the lieutenant and delight of the men, "To walk my post with a military madam."

"What?" asked the lieutenant. "You don't mean that do you?" The flustered soldier replied: "Parson me, sir, what I want to say was, to walk my post in a madam manner."

## Troops Will Learn Foreign Tongues Before Going Abroad

American troops embarking for a land where a foreign language is spoken will be taught an elementary speaking knowledge of that language through a new and simplified method of instruction featuring the use of phonograph records. The records are used in conjunction with reference pamphlets containing instructions in pronunciation and a glossary.

Designed to teach the soldier essential and useful spoken phrases of the language, sufficient to enable him to understand and be understood in general terms of conversation, the Army method of instruction was developed by the Education Branch of the Special Service Division, Services of Supply. It is based on using the records to give the listener the proper sounds of the phrases in the foreign language and an opportunity to hear them repeated, together with coordinated reference booklets which represent these phrases in a consistent and simplified written form as they sound.

Dr. Henry Lee Smith, former instructor of English at Brown University, Providence R. I., and director of the radio program, "Where Are You From?" is in charge of applying the method to several foreign languages and their various dialects. He points out that although the procedure is based on scientific analysis of principles of phonetics and phonemics, it is not intended as a basic conversational study of the foreign language. It was evolved only as an expedient for quickly and easily instructing American troops in a spoken foreign language. Neither the written form nor the structure of the language is taught by the plan.

The records are transcribed with such elementary and useful expressions and phrases as "Good Day,"

"Where is a restaurant?" and "How much does this cost?" These are announced in English and repeated in the foreign language by a native speaker of the language. Each phrase is repeated twice to emphasize its proper pronunciation.

The references used in the language-teaching plan are contained in special guide booklets of the foreign land which also describe its geography, history and customs. They comprise the following three sections: Hints on pronunciation of the language; a list of the most useful words and phrases which the soldier is advised to learn by heart and which are listed in the order in which they occur on the records; and additional lists of words and

phrases. The words and phrases are grouped under general classifications of greetings, location, directions, time, numbers, designation, foods, money etc.

It is planned to supply every troop unit with a set of foreign language recordings upon leaving for a destination where a foreign language is spoken, and each soldier will be furnished with a copy of the reference pamphlet. Special service officers who are being trained in the procedure will instruct and guide the soldiers in familiarizing themselves in the language.

It is estimated that after six or seven hearings of the records and a short period of applied study of the references, the average soldier should have memorized sufficient phrases to provide him with an adequate speaking vocabulary for his needs.

The advantages of being able to speak and understand the language of the land should prove not only a convenience to American soldiers, but through easier communication with each other, should tend to create closer cooperation and goodwill between them and the natives of the land.

The record and reference instruction method is adaptable to any language and dialect. Through its application and study, one could readily learn to converse in Navaho, Hottentot or Eskimo.

### Caligit Dinsivilot?

## Not Double Talk, Just Names of Professions

By Pvt. Everett H. Woodward

"Twas brillig and the slithy toves  
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe;  
All mimsy were the borogoves  
And the momeeraths outgave."

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—So runs the whimsy of Lewis Carroll, creator of Alice in Wonderland, and an adept exponent of double talking.

But Alice had nothing on the Field Artillery Replacement Center. We've been in Wonderland, too. Down at classification, thumbing through the cards showing former occupations of 3rd Regiment trainees, we were hit on several shortly-spaced occasions by such stated vocations as "babbiter," "bobbin placer," "loom doffer" and even "puller overer."

Then it happened. Weakened by what had gone before, we broke under the strain of "slubber tender, operating slubber that transforms sliver into roving."

We stumbled inerrantly back into the regimental hurledevane and proceeded, noncomposmentis, into the day's napidity. Since then, our efforts have been mumentum namic, and we'll probably wind up with a wolland in the garbistate.

back azimuth. Before the squad had advanced very far through the area, a guard walking his post halted the group and questioned:

"Who is there?"  
The squad leader answered: "A squad on a night problem."  
The guard called back in a serious tone: "Advance squad on a night problem and be recognized."

### Wayne King in Army

Wayne King, the "Waltz King," has been commissioned a captain in the Army Specialist Corps. He reported for duty this week to the commanding general of the Sixth Service Command in Chicago.

### Blood Donor Service To Get Service Award

The American Red Cross blood donor service has been selected to receive the Army-Navy production award in recognition of its performance in procuring blood for dried plasma for the nation's armed forces, Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson and Under Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal announced.

The presentation ceremonies will be held sometime in the near future.

## Privates Have 'Private' Club

FORT SILL, Okla.—Privates only. All others keep out. There actually isn't such a sign on the door of Service Club No. 5 in the 349th FA area but woe to anyone except a private who attempts to enter the club.

It is exclusively for privates. Every member is either a buck private or first class private. Non-commissioned officers are not allowed to belong.

The hardest job that the club has is keeping a president. As a rule a man is hardly raised to that exalted position when he is given stripes and then, of course, he is automatically out.

In addition to the president, the club is ruled by a board of governors consisting of one man from each battery, the medical detachment and the band. Lt. Col. Roy W. Replogle is the supervisor.

Dances are held every Tuesday night with Friday set aside as "Bingo" night. At the weekly dance there is always a jitterbug contest with prizes for the winners and refreshments are always on tap.

The dues are 10 cents a month and the funds resulting from this are used to keep the place decorated.

## Camp Will Teach War Languages

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Arrangements are being made here by 2nd Lt. Sherman Joffe, assistant special services officer, to organize classes in Spanish, German and Russian among enlisted men and officer personnel in camp.

Lieutenant Joffe reports that two Harvard instructors have offered their services, without charge, to teach German and Russian in the belief that knowledge of these two languages is essential to the war effort.

An instructor in Spanish is now being sought and persons with teaching knowledge of this language who wish to perform a patriotic service are being asked to communicate with Lieutenant Joffe at the camp service club.

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# Classrooms Don't Scare Soldiers

By Pfc. John M. Anspacher

CAMP WHEELER, Ga.—Educational facilities and opportunities at Camp Wheeler have gone far beyond military manuals and training aids. The first month of evening school classes in academic subjects has just been completed, and there were most favorable results, camps officials reported.

Last week's census of the attendance revealed that 425 soldiers had registered for the classes in English, arithmetic, history and civics which are being conducted in each regiment.

These men are not illiterate. They are natives of rural communities where state education has been limited, and so their own scholastic advancement has been restricted. Their teachers claim that most of the men have not only the capacity to learn but the earnest desire as well.

Classes are held every evening of the week, from about 7 o'clock to nine. Each regiment has set aside a school building which may be used for this purpose, and in the 16th (Negro) Training Battalion, several buildings have been equipped as school-houses. The rooms are furnished with tables, chairs, and blackboards so that as much of the work as possible may be visual.

## Results Good

"The results shown so far are better than we had expected," was the comment of Miss Maude Shaw of the Federal Works Administration in Macon. Miss Shaw is supervisor of the 13 WPA teachers who make the trip to Camp Wheeler every evening to direct the instruction.

"Of course," she added, "it is difficult to say after only four or five weeks how much effect these classes will have on the men's work in the Army."

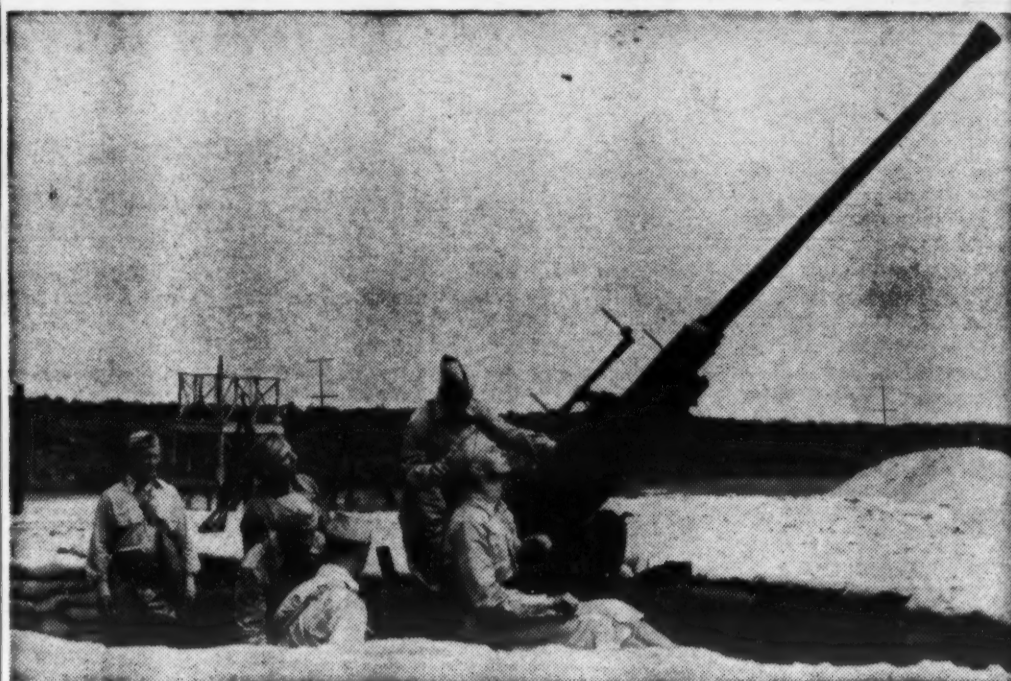
One of the finest testimonials to the success of the evening school is the enthusiasm with which the men enter into their work. Both Miss Shaw and the plans and training officers at post headquarters who inaugurated the school have been impressed with the steady attendance. Men are seldom absent, the teachers say, unless some special duty takes them away on official business.

Most popular subjects are reading and writing, because the men first want to be able to read the letters they get from home, then be able to answer them. There is an intense interest in spelling.

## Soldiers Help Teach

Besides the 13 professional instructors whom the FWA sends out, each class has three or four soldier-tutors—men who had pedagogical experience chiefly, but some of whom are professional men in other fields.

These soldiers devote their own time after duty hours to the evening school classes, thus providing the



TO MAKE SURE everyone understands their intentions, Battery G of the 430th CA (AA) at Camp Davis, N. C., has adopted a slogan. It is "Ack-Ack the Axis." The outfit is commanded by Capt. Leo S. Horowicz.

students with almost individual instruction. A group of five or six students is assigned to each soldier instructor, so that he may work with each man individually at some time during the evening, and thus gear his teaching to that man's needs. The classes themselves are split

into three groups, each schoolroom having a primary, intermediate, and advanced section. Men are moved up from one to another as soon as they have accomplished the work laid out for them in the section to which they are first assigned. No tests are given; a man's capabilities are judged

by his work and the recommendations of his commanding officers.

To make this work as interesting as possible, the FWA has supplied each class with a set of elementary readers, concerned with Army life. Thus a double purpose is served: the pupils learn two lessons at once

# General Arnold Reports on Air Force Record as Fighters

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turned safely to station only slightly damaged.

On July 6 at Port Moresby, New Guinea, seven Jap Zeros attacked five P-39's. They broke off action rapidly after one Zero had been damaged, with no losses to the Airacobras.

## They Like 'Em

There have been many encounters in the Southwest Pacific area between our fighters and the Japanese Zero fighters. Maj. Gen. George H. Brett states that when our fighter pilots are asked if they would trade their P-39 and P-40's for the Japanese Zero, their answer is definitely and almost unanimously in the negative. Such a trade would mean giving up the protection of armor, leakproof gasoline tanks, and parachutes, they reply.

Recently it was announced officially from London by the RAF that the new North American P-51 Mustang fighters, recently put into combat operation by the Army Cooperation Command, has given a splendid account of itself in action over the invasion coast. Until they are needed for close Army support, the P-51's are being employed as Fighter Command aircraft by the RAF.

In one attack, a British pilot flew his Mustang through an enemy radio antenna between two pylons. Another pilot described the sturdiness of the Mustang as "wonderful" and said that some of them "have taken punishment which would have been too much for most fighters."

American-made fighter planes designed especially for high-altitude combat are now in service or are now being delivered to far-flung battlefronts, General Arnold declared, but reports on their performance are still too sketchy for public announcement.

The Lockheed P-38, or Lightning, however, has already engaged the Japanese with notable success. The first battle action for the P-38 twin-engine interceptor fighter took place recently in an undisclosed theater. Two P-38's intercepted a K-97 four-engine Japanese flying boat and shot it down in flames. The P-38's later attacked a second ship of the same type which was shot down out of control and presumed to crash.

Another Army Air Forces high-altitude fighter—the Republic P-47, or Thunderbolt—now is in production and ready for delivery to combat theaters.

This plane is regarded as a tremendous package of power and is believed able to outfly and outfight any other known airplane. It carries enough guns to generate a maximum firing speed impact equal to the force of a five-ton truck hitting a brick wall at 60 miles per hour.

## Can Take It

Moreover, it is built not only to give but take rough treatment, weighing some 11,000 pounds as compared with the 6,000 of ordinary pursuits or fighters, most of the weight being in armor, armament, supercharger and equipment for high-altitude flying. Definitely in the 400-mile-per-hour class, it will be at its fastest between 25,000 and 30,000 feet.

American bombing planes have established themselves as superior to

anything thus far shown by the enemy.

The Boeing B-17, or Flying Fortress, has gained world fame in the present war. The Consolidated B-24 Liberator also has made an impressive reputation in all parts of the world. The smaller, agile Douglas A-20 attack bomber, known to the British as the Boston and, in a night-fighter version, as the Havoc, also has performed notably. The North American B-25, in which General Doolittle raided Tokyo, and the Martin B-26, a fast bomber which has "doubled in brass" by carrying torpedoes at Midway and in the Aleutians, are other bright stars in the galaxy of American bombers. The Lockheed Hudson, built for the British, has been an outstanding performer since the start of its long career.

Here are a few typical actions in which B-17's were engaged:

On July 25, at Buna, New Guinea, one B-17 was engaged by 15 Japanese Zero fighters. The B-17 was slightly damaged. Enemy losses, one Zero shot down and two other probably shot down.

On July 17, at Tulagi, one B-17 was engaged by three Zeros. The B-17 was not damaged. One enemy plane was shot down and one was left burning.

On July 19, in the Rabaul area, five B-17's were engaged by 10 Zeros. None of the American ships were damaged but one Jap was shot down and two possibly shot down.

There are the well-known examples of Captain Wheeler, whose aerial gunners fought off a sustained attack by a squadron of Zeros during a running fight of more than 75 miles, and Captain Sharp, whose crew fought 23 Jap Zeros for two hours over Burma, destroying at least four of them before being forced down.

## Range Is Great

The British have called the B-24 Liberator bomber one of the finest military aircraft yet produced. While it is true that the bomb loads carried by the B-17 and B-24 bombers are less than those which can be carried by the new British four-engine bombers, their range is far greater. The American bombers were built with an eye to vast distances while the British ships were designed for and have been used in the European war, almost exclusively, with the German Industrial centers as their principal targets. The American bombers also have been designed for daylight bombing of specific military targets—a mission which demands greater speed and gun-power than any type of night bombing.

The B-24 immediately became the backbone of the Atlantic ferry service from Canada to Great Britain when it was inaugurated last year and, even prior to the United States entry into the war, these airplanes had completed more than 100 routine trans-Atlantic crossings in all kinds of weather, carrying such passengers as Ambassador Winant, Lord Halifax, Prince Bernhard, Lord Beaverbrook, Prime Minister W. MacKenzie King, and the Duke of Kent.

A B-24 took the Harriman Mission to Moscow early last fall and continued on around the world, flying approximately 24,700 miles.

The B-24 has played an outstanding role in the battle of the Atlantic, attacking German submarines and supply ships and beating off German aerial sea raiders in many actions.

B-24's played a major role in attacks on the Italian fleet in the Mediterranean June 15, scoring numerous direct hits on Italian battleships and other warships.

In the B-25 and B-26, the United States has a pair of medium bombers that definitely outclass anything in the world. They carry about two tons of bombs at speeds of over 300 miles per hour and are very heavily armed.

Other United States medium bombers, such as the Lockheed Hudson and Ventura and the Martin Maryland and Baltimore, have been going to the British and have been used with very great success. The Hudson has become a synonym for effective service with the RAF. Coastal Command and the Marylands have made a great name in the Middle East. For all-around performance both proved superior to foreign type.

## No Help Needed

The B-26 is regarded as a very advanced type. Reports from the Japanese theater show that it has speed and firing power enough to make it self-sufficient and that it can conduct raids over heavily protected enemy territory without fighter protection.

At Lae, New Guinea, on July 4, 10 B-26's were intercepted by 15 Zero fighters. Four Zeros were shot down and one more probably shot down. Four of the B-26's were damaged but returned. One B-26 was lost by having the wing knocked off by a falling Zero that had been shot down by another B-26.

The B-26's demonstrated their versatility by going into action as torpedo planes at Midway and in the Aleutians, with very successful results.

The B-25 gained lasting fame in the Tokyo raid. It previously had demonstrated its stamina and hitting power, however, when 10 B-25's, teaming up with three B-17's, flew 2,000 miles from Australia to the Philippines to attack the Japs, with excellent results. In both attacks, the B-25's ran away from the best pursuits the Japs could put into the air.

One of the war's most striking examples of versatility and all-around efficiency has been provided by the Douglas A-20 two-engine attack bomber. The British have used it as its American designers intended originally that it should be used—as a tree-top attack plane. The latest plane of this model, the Boston III, or A-20C, carries a heavier bomb load and is considerably faster than the RAF's principal attack bomber, the Blenheim, we are informed.

It was with this airplane that American Army Air Force pilots, on July 4, made the first AAF raid on the European continent. One of the group, Maj. Charles C. Kegelman, was forced down on the DeKooy airdrome in Holland with one motor shot apart, the tail assembly riddled with bullets and other damage. He crawled off the runway at 275 miles

per hour, tearing a gaping hole in the fuselage, but got the ship back into the air, blasting two anti-aircraft towers at the edge of the field as he did so, and came home safely.

## Over Europe

Recent sorties by the Bostons in Northern France have included 16 against power stations, 10 against German airdromes in occupied countries, and 26 against industrial targets. In these 52 raids, in spite of the concentrated anti-aircraft defenses and German fighter protection in the areas raided, only one Boston failed to return.

In the Middle East Command A-20 Bostons have been used against fighter-protected motor transport and airdromes. A total of 191 such sorties have been reported during which hits were scored on motor transport equipment and enemy aircraft on the ground and one enemy fighter, which was destroyed in the air. In these total operations, only one Boston is missing.

A British official report from Libya states that two South African Air Force Boston (A-20) Squadrons have flown more than 1,500 sorties between May 23 and July 9. On July 7 their

first aircraft was lost to enemy fighters since the beginning of the campaign. The effectiveness of the RA daylight attacks on the enemy Bostons and Kittyhawk P-40 fighters used as fighter-bombers has been confirmed by reconnaissance.

On August 6, according to a press communique from Gen. Stilwell, United States bombers with fighter escort attacked an airdrome outside Canton, destroying several enemy aircraft on the ground. Japanese Zero fighters then attacked. Two of the Zeros were attacked and shot down by our fighters. Another was destroyed by the rear gunner in one of the B-25 bombers. No losses on our side were reported.

Another press communique from a 900-mile daylight raid from Australia against Jap airdrome facilities Gen. MacArthur's headquarters tell on New Britain Island during the course of which the bombers were intercepted by 20 of the new-type Zeros. The bombers successfully completed their missions and, in a wild fight, shot down seven Jap planes and damaged others, with the loss of one Allied plane.

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## Benning Brevities

By Sgt. H. E. Whittemore

FORT BENNING, Ga.—A private nonchalantly strolled into one of the exchange branches a few days ago and presented an order authorizing exchange clerks to give him a case of beer. The order was signed by "Maj. Hoople."

Without "batting an eye," the exchange manager glanced at the order and signaled an assistant to rush up a case of beer for the soldier. It was almost the perfect crime until the laden soldier reached the door of the store when he was stopped and turned around by the guard who made the private return the beer to the grinning manager.

Said the latter:

"I knew he couldn't get past the guard at the door, but after all, an order signed by Major Hoople can't be totally disregarded, can it?"

"This Is the Army" is a hit in New York City and early in September another revue, "This Is Fort Benning" (tentative name), will hit the stage at the Georgia military reservation under the supervision of Sgt. Jimmie Wicker, special service officer and formerly Broadway stage manager.

### NO ERROR

It was "bees in the belfry" not "bats in the belfry" Thursday with Lt. William S. Morgan, aide to Brig. Gen. Eric Fisher Wood.

When Lieutenant Morgan told medical officers that a good-sized bee flew into his ear while he was riding a bicycle home, the medical officers smiled sympathetically while they prepared to take a look and assured the lieutenant that it was "almost impossible" that a small "gnat" might have crawled into his ear.

Lieutenant Morgan, however, knew that the buzzing in his ear and a very ungnatlike sting on his eardrum wasn't any small gnat and now—after it's all over—he can say, "I told you so."

It was a bee—and no baby bee, either—and just to silence possible "doubting Thomases," Lieutenant Morgan has the now dead bee carefully wrapped up in a handkerchief in his pocket.

### USED TO IT

There is a certain familiarity about the muzzle of a cannon to Pvt. Howard Hug of the 24th General Hospital.

About 300 times a year, he used to look over his shoulder and see it go whizzing by. He was a "human cannon-ball," performing for Greg Shows and also Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey show.

Clad in a specially-tailored, white uniform and crash helmet, Hug used to crawl into the mouth of a 28-inch cannon and allow himself to be shot through space into a net 150 feet away.

Hug explained that there was no great jar when the cannon goes off as the performer is standing on a platform inside the cannon and the platform merely pushes forward and propels him out of the cannon.

Due to careful judgment and planning, the "cannon-ball" can be shot over tents, ferris wheels and other objects with a minimum of danger. Only twice has Hug suffered mishaps; once when he nearly missed the net and the other time when the net collapsed.

## The Medico

Last night I saw a soldier lie  
Alone upon the field,  
And as I turned, he turned, and I  
Could see the wound revealed.

Quickly, quickly bind the flesh,  
Quickly hide the red,  
And put the cup between his  
lips,  
With arm beneath his head.

One sad, white face will live  
again,  
One soldier more return—  
Dear God, if I must die, teach  
me  
This death, and I will learn.

—PVT. ABRAHAM FRANK,  
Company A, 1st Medical Battalion  
1st Medical Training Regiment,  
Camp Pickett, Va.

# Mobile Baths Follow Men Into Field

—Photo by 163 Signal Co.



Ahhhhhhhh!

## Water for Maneuvers Big Task for Engineers

There's no water bottle in the refrigerator for the combat soldier, no kitchen sink, no bathtub with hot and cold running water. The combat soldier carries his home on his back—a shelter-half with five pegs and a tent pole, a blanket, extra clothing and mess gear. On his rifle belt he carries a canteen that holds one quart of water.

A canteen of water is supposed to last a day. In a tough pinch, it may be made to last longer. And a soldier must know how to dole it out because Carolina roads are hot and dusty and raise a thirst. He must learn the value of pure water, because the germs in a crystal clear stream are as deadly as a volley of rifle fire and will kill almost as quickly.

To supply water to the troops on the VI Army Corps maneuvers in the Carolinas is the job of the Engineer Water Supply Battalion. The members of this Engineer Corps unit receive special training in the purification and transportation of water.

Under normal conditions, a man is supposed to have two gallons of water a day: to be used for cooking his meals, for drinking and washing. Under field conditions—such as are maintained during the Carolina maneuvers—a soldier knows he must get by on less. But the Engineers

have the job of getting as much pure water to him as they possibly can—and it's a man-sized job.

### Clear Water Not Safe

The water comes from streams, lakes, ponds and wells in the maneuver area. No matter how clear this water may be, none of it is assumed to be safe. Army doctors and laboratory technicians have been teaching Generals for more than a score of years that bad water and good strategy will never win a war; bad water can wipe out a command as completely as any concentration of enemy fire. The clearest stream may breed bacteria, the invisible enemy that knows no allegiance.

To kill these germs, is the responsibility of the water battalion. Their mobile purification unit is mounted on a standard Army 2½-ton truck and is similar in principle and operation to that used by municipal water plants.

The unit consists of a pump to

THIRD ARMY—A unique new unit is helping Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger's Third Army keep clean and smart-looking during the strenuous combat maneuvers now taking place in the dense pine section of Louisiana. The unit is a mobile sterilization and bath company, that operates out in the brush and hills where the fighting troops bivouac.

Commanded by Lt. Howard H. Hallock, the unit can provide hot baths for approximately 4500 men in a ten-hour day. A complete processing job, including a bath and sterilization of clothes, can be given to 2500 men in one day. This operation requires more time.

A maximum of six minutes is allotted each man for bathing. Plenty of hot water is furnished, but the troops must provide their own towels and soap.

The company is divided into four sections, each consisting of a mobile 12-shower bath and sterilization unit. The latter is a large oven-like affair in which clothing is subjected to a process of super-heated steam under vacuum pressure.

Rest periods between combat problems are the busy periods for the shower bath company. Battalions are trucked in to give the troops a refreshing bath after long days and nights of hard fighting in sweltering heat and dust.

One of the chief prizes of the company is two Chinese cooks who keep the men happy with plenty of good food. Cousins, John Wong, T-4, and Hoy Wong, T-S, spent years perfecting their "art," and they now spend their time cooking choice chow for their outfit.

## APO's Get Mail Through Despite War Games

HEADQUARTERS THIRD ARMY, SOMEWHERE IN LOUISIANA—One of the first things carefully checked by Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, square-jawed, able commander of the Third Army, when he arrived in the rugged Louisiana maneuver region to personally direct the field training of his troops, was the postal set-up.

For equal with good leadership, good food and medical care, the crack, veteran commander considers mail from home a vital factor in maintaining high morale.

Frequent cheerful, chatty letters from relatives and friends do much to keep men in the service in high spirits, and General Krueger is seeing to it that his soldiers get their mail promptly and efficiently. With tens of thousands of troops scattered widely over an extremely difficult terrain and constantly on the move in combat problems this is no easy job. It is immense and complex.

But it is being done in the wilds of Louisiana as efficiently and smoothly as in a well-ordered city. A large and highly-trained force of specialists are seeing to it that soldiers' let-

ters reach them with a minimum of delay despite lack of roads, intense heat, rain and the constant and wide dispersal of maneuvering units.

This is the way the efficient Third Army's APO operates in the Louisiana combat training region:

Mail for the troops in the field is addressed to a certain central point, where it is delivered to the APO by the regular postal service. APO then breaks down the mail for distribution to unit APO's which operate from certain designated points.

Upon receipts of mail at specified daily periods, these APO's which keep informed of the whereabouts of their outfits, then rush it for delivery by the unit to the individual soldier.

draw the water through the purification system, a device for supplying chemicals, a chlorinator and a rapid sand filter. While the filter removes mud, small twigs and other foreign matter, the chemicals kill the invisible bacteria. During the process the water is frequently tested for chlorine content to insure the proper sterilization.

At times water is pumped through the filter at such a rate that it is not crystal clear when purified. The soldier is assured of its safety however, even though he may have been earlier trained to trust only completely clear water.

Whenever facilities are available, shower points are established by the Engineers water unit in an effort to prevent the soldiers from bathing in impure streams and lakes.

### Purify By Truck

Each mobile unit can purify up to 5000 gallons of water an hour. It can be set up on the bank of any stream or pond that can be reached by truck. An experienced crew can put the unit in operation and produce water in 15 minutes.

There is also a portable unit, part of the equipment of the Engineers in a combat division, which does the same job. Four men can carry it, set it up and operate it. Its production capacity is approximately 800 gallons an hour.

The purified water is stored in canvas tanks, which, like most equipment of a mobile army, are collapsible for quick movement. Each tank will hold 3000 gallons and there are three in each mobile unit. When a mobile unit is set up, these canvas tanks are erected along with necessary pumps, hose and fittings to fill water containers. This establishment is called a Water Distribution Point—and it is here the troops come for their water.

In desert warfare, water is hard to get and even more desperately needed than in wooded terrain. Without water the desert moves in on the troops relentlessly and overpowering. It is the job of the Engineers to get the needed water—no excuses accepted.

### Prepare for Desert

The Water Supply Battalion is prepared for the desert. Equipment allowances furnish each battalion with 21 semi-trailers that carry 1500 gallons each and 60 tank trucks each

## Sioux Indians Adopt Colonel

CAMP WOLTERS, Tex.—You can call the colonel "Chief Iron Buffalo" now.

Lieut. Col. Robert L. Renth, commanding officer of the 60th Infantry Training Battalion so inspired the Indians serving under him that they adopted him into their tribe.

Colonel Renth received the honored tribal name chosen for him by Chief Feathering, 98-year-old ruler of the Sioux Indians remaining in North and South Dakota. Chief Feathering is a survivor of the battle of the Little Big Horn in which General Custer's troops were annihilated.

While the battalion looked on Colonel Renth promised the Indians from the whole post that he would strive to live up to the name "Iron Buffalo" which is given only to great warriors. The original Iron Buffalo, the colonel was told "was a chief noted for his daring, courage to meet any obstacle, and always led his warriors into battle no matter what the odds and always brought home scalps."

But the Indians of this post are not the only ones who admire Colonel Renth. The large proportion of Mexicans, all American citizens, to the 60th call him "Abuelito," meaning "Little Grandfather."

with a 700-gallon capacity. There is also well-drilling equipment. When the water can't be brought up from the rear, it must be brought up from below. The water supply units now serving in the Carolina maneuvers do not have their full allowance of water-carrying equipment due to large shipments being sent to our Allies, but the Engineers have proved themselves equal to the task by utilizing fully the equipment available to them. There has been no lack of water for the maneuvering soldiers.

On long marches in the Carolinas, when a man's hot and thirsty, water is rarer than wine. But wherever the troops may be, they know that water will be waiting for them. The water boys of the Engineers will be hard at work.



HE'LL FIGHT AGAIN, after medical soldier at right finishes treatment. This picture was taken during recent newsreel filming of the work of medical soldiers at the MRTC, Camp Pickett, Va. Working under combat condition, wading creeks, advancing through gas, heavy brush, etc., these soldiers in training know that medics are no sissies.

# 81st 'Wildcats' Train Again At Rucker

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—The original 81st Infantry Division, which won the title, Wildcats, by brilliant action in the latter part of the first World War, will officially pass on its magnificent fighting tradition to the reactivated Wildcat Division at an Organization Day program here, August 25.

## Gen. Mueller Is Chief 'Wildcat'

Brig. Gen. Paul J. Mueller, holder of the Silver Star for bravery during the World War and distinguished graduate of the Command and General Staff School is the new commander of the 81st Division.

General Mueller was born in Union, Mo., on November 16, 1892, and following graduation from the United States Military Academy was ap-



General Mueller  
—Signal Corps Photo

pointed a second lieutenant of Infantry on June 12, 1915.

With the 64th Infantry regiment General Mueller, as battalion commander, served in the Marbache Sector in support of the French Army between October 2, and October 9, 1918; in the Puvonelle Sector in the Second Army between October 9, and November 11, 1918. For exceptional bravery in action in the Puvonelle Sector, he was awarded the Silver Star.

General Mueller returned to the United States on June 25, 1919, with the 64th Infantry, going to Camp Funston, Kans., serving both with regiment and as Instructor of the Kansas National Guard until detailed to command a detachment at Pittsburg, Kans., between June 25, 1919, and April 14, 1920, then moved to Wichita on recruiting duty. He went to Coblenz, Germany, for duty with

The all-day program will observe the 25th anniversary of the founding of the 81st in 1917 at Camp Jackson, S. C. Governors of Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, the states which contributed the majority of the personnel of the old 81st, have been invited to appear on the speaker's stand. The state of Alabama contributed 8,000 men to the 1918 group and is expected to be especially well represented.

Cooperating in arrangements for the event is the Wildcat Veterans Association which, to facilitate arrangements for the visit of former Wildcats, has set up offices in the city at Ozark, Ala., near Camp Rucker.

The presentation of a marble marker by the Wildcat Veterans Association to the reactivated 81st will be one of the highlights of the day. Banks Arendell, Raleigh, N. C., commander of the veteran group, will be present to assist in the ceremony.

Mrs. Mary Glenn of Greensboro, N. C., who has been designated by the association as the official Gold Star mother of the division, will unveil the marker in front of division headquarters. Mrs. Glenn was awarded the honor because she lost three Wildcat sons in the past war, two in direct action and one through injuries suffered in combat.

Brig. Gen. George C. McIver, formerly commander of the 161st Brigade, made up of the 321st and 322nd Infantry Regiments, is expected to attend although the commanding general of the original Wildcats, Maj. Gen. Charles J. Bailey of Jamestown, N. Y., is reported too ill to travel.

Governor Frank M. Dixon, retiring executive of Alabama, and Chauncey Sparks, governor-elect, are among the distinguished citizens already on the speakers list. Senator Lister Hill and Representative Henry Stegall, members of Congress from Alabama, also will be heard.

The celebration will open at 10 a.m. with a dress parade and divisional review in which the thousands of new troops, now in the middle of their basic training, will participate.

The Infantry band will give a concert from 1 to 2:45 o'clock in the afternoon. Then the Division Artillery band will take over and handle the musical chores until 4:30 p.m. The concerts will be held in the grove of trees in the Division Artillery water tower area.

Demonstrations by various organizations of the entire division will start at 1 p.m. A platoon from the 322nd Infantry Regiment will display close order drill and calisthenics. Following will be an exhibition by soldiers from the 321st Infantry Regiment on the positions and movements of a platoon executing "at gun"

the American Forces in Germany on August 7, 1920, and served in the General Staff, becoming Editor and Manager of the Amaroc News, completing this assignment on June 30, 1922.

General Mueller then returned to the United States and one year later completed the course at the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., as a distinguished graduate, when he was assigned to the Historical Section of the Army War College.

He then was assigned to the Office

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**TAKING OBSTACLES**—To train Wildcats of the 81st Infantry Division, in training at Camp Rucker, Ala., to be physically tough, several obstacle courses have been built and competition is keen to cut another few seconds off the last record made. Here a group of soldiers from Divisional Headquarters Company are shown taking the artillery obstacle course in stride.

—Photo by Cpl. William D. Evans

## Waring Broadcast

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians will broadcast a special program, dedicated to the Wildcat soldiers of the 81st Division, the evening of August 25, the silver anniversary of the organization stationed at Camp Rucker.

drill, both in and out of action.

A 323rd Infantry Regiment platoon will present one of the most difficult of precision feats, a 10-minute exhibition of silent drill. The only command to be given the platoon is "Forward, march," and from then on all movements will be executed from memory.

The final exhibition will be given by the Division Artillery, when a full battery will demonstrate cannoniers' drill, both with the pieces coupled and uncoupled.

Informal dancing and other entertainment have been scheduled as a diversion from the military phases of the program.

A victory parade will be held in the evening at Ozark. All veterans and members of patriotic and civic organizations have been invited to take part. James E. Cahall of Raleigh, N. C., national adjutant of the Wildcat Veterans Association, is directing activities on behalf of the old 81st.



**WILDCAT LAIR**—To properly house the two wildcats from Georgia swamps presented as mascots to the 81st (Wildcat) Infantry Division in training at Camp Rucker, a special duplex apartment house, one end for each animal, was erected.

## They're on Air 4 Times Weekly

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—The radio and music world has given more than its share of talent to the Wildcat (81st) Division of Camp Rucker, Ala., and it's being exploited in the form of radio programs and musical comedy shows for the entertainment of soldiers and civilians alike.

Each Sunday the division presents a 30-minute variety show, over Station WAGF in Dothan, Ala., and thrice-weekly the latest news of camp activities is offered. Plans are also under way for programs over Birmingham and Montgomery stations.

Artists who have taken part on past programs include Pvt. John Crowe, who for two seasons sang with the "Bell Telephone Hour" program (NBC), and also sang with the chorus on the "Camel Cigarette Hour" with music by Xavier Cugat's orchestra. Private Crowe has also appeared in a number of operas such as La Boheme, Il Traviatore and La Traviata.



**OFFICERS DO IT TOO**—The strenuous physical program, designed to keep Wildcats of the 81st Infantry Division in fighting condition applies to officers as well as enlisted men. Here is pictured most of the leading Wildcats starting off on a hike with full field packs. Heading the files are Brig. Gen. William R. Schmidt, Assistant Divisional Commander, at left, and Col. J. C. Short, Chief of Staff.

# Nasty Surprises Lie in Wait for Croft Soldiers

by Cpl. Jack De Simone

CAMP CROFT, S. C.—Ninth Regiment soldiers will face the nearest conditions and surprises of actual warfare yet designed during their cycle of training at the Spartan army base. Completed this week, initial operation of the course took place Thursday before plans and training officers of the camp.

## Wildcat History

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Wildcats of the first World War returned home from France with one of the proudest records in the American Expeditionary Forces, although its actual combat period was one of the shortest.

When the War Department reactivated the Wildcat (81st) Division last June it brought back to life an organization which took only a few days to earn the nickname of "Fighting Wildcats," officially conferred by General John J. Pershing.

It was in the Meuse-Argonne battle that the Wildcats repulsed a counter-attack by three German divisions and advanced to a point ten miles from the Reich city of Metz. The division was in action up to the last day of the war, at which time it was crossing the Hindenburg line near Etain.

On August 25, 1917, Maj. Gen. Charles J. Bailey assumed command of the 81st at Camp Jackson, S. C. When the division was re-organized in February of the following year, 10,000 Alabamians were picked up to partially replace 30,000 troops transferred to the 30th (Old Hickory) Division.

Because the division was activated at Camp Jackson the nickname "Stonewall" was used for a short time, but when the training site was moved to Camp Sevier, near Greenville, S. C., the permanent tag of "Wild cat" was substituted. The Wildcats continued their training in the South until they sailed for France, via England on July 31, 1918, arriving in Liverpool August 11.

The division was stationed in the defensive sector of San Die in the Vosges mountains of Lorraine until October when it was moved to the front-line trenches of the Meuse-Argonne scrap, and proceeded to earn the title of "Fighting Wildcats."

All through its period of training both in the States and France, in actual combat duty and in policing after the Armistice the division received commendations from all sides. A letter from General Pershing to General Bailey read in part: "With such a record, the division may return home proud of its services as a part of the American Expeditionary Forces."

The orders for removal to a port of embarkation came on May 2, 1919, and on June 1st disembarked at Newport News, Va.

The adoption of sleeve insignia credited to the Wildcat division. The wildcat emblem, currently being sported by every member of the division here at Camp Rucker, is the oldest in the Army.

The emblem originated at Camp Sevier but at the port of embarkation it was ordered removed for there was no official approval of

Described as a "blitz course" and patterned on a similar one at Fort Benning, Ga., the course is planned especially to keep the soldier mentally as well as physically alert. Every phase of the 10 surprise situations the soldier faces on the 660-yard course utilizes the soldier's knowledge gained during his basic training.

As the soldier advances alone cautiously and boldly on the course he knows only 10 situations face him, and too, that he cannot deviate from the staked course more than five yards on either direction. As he proceeds blank fire is heard from a carefully concealed and camouflaged "enemy" soldier. At the sound of fire soldier unconsciously becomes tense and senses reality. Although a war department directive prohibits further manufacture of blank cartridges, the large supply at Camp Croft is being used sparingly but effectively.

The ten situations of the course, which was built and introduced to the camp by Lt. Philip Dodge, include: Situation one—as the trainee turns a corner, there is a rustling in the brush followed by a rifle shot; situation two—as the trainee crawls beneath the wire, he is fired upon as he reaches the protective ditch or if the trainee climbs over the wire, he will be fired upon while in the middle of the entanglement; situation three—the trainee approaches the log barrier cautiously and as he climbs over he is fired upon; situation four—the trainee dives into a shell hole in front of a house and is fired upon again by a sniper concealed in a tree to his left front.

Situation six—the trainee is confronted with crossing a stream. He is again fired on by a hidden "enemy" soldier. As he moves on the course



SO YOU'RE walking along peacefully and something like this pops out at you. What do you do? That's right. Villian lies prone, at left. —Signal Corps Photo

the same situation presents a surprise release of a dummy which he engages with his bayonet. Situation seven—as the trainee moves along a thickly wooded trail another dummy is thrust in his path. Situation eight—a machine gun opens simulated fire as the trainee climbs up from a draw. Here again he is supplied with grenades to "wipe out" or not, as he chooses the machine gun nest. Situation nine—the the soldier approaches a road a parachutist descends in front of him, and the last situation the trainee dives into shell holes as two silhouette targets arise to his right flank.

The course teaches the soldier that in addition to looking to his right and left at all times, he must look in trees for snipers as will be encountered in jungle warfare, and in the air for descending enemy parachutists. The soldier is rated at each

station. A careful study of unusual situations confronted by soldiers in actual warfare in different parts of the world is made, Lieutenant Dodge said, and those unusual situations are and will be adapted to the course. He added that the course has "unlimited possibilities". Unnatural features of the course are limited so as to present the reality of warfare to a scout advancing in enemy territory.

## Medical Men Lead Wildcat Bond-Buying Program

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Wildcats of the 81st Infantry Division mean to attain a record in war bond buying.

such insignia. However, General Pershing okayed the step when the division reached France and once more the "wildcats" made their proud appearance. General Pershing also ordered every other division to adopt a representative insignia.

The new 81st has already manifested the physical fitness and fighting qualities necessary to maintain the brilliant record set up for it by the predecessor. From staff officers to enlisted cadremen special care has been placed on obtaining the best possible men to train the new division for a well-disciplined line outfit.

The division was officially reactivated last June 15, the day new recruits began pouring into the camp from all over the country, every state in the Union being represented. The division was filled June 28 and official training started June 29. Twelve thousand troops are now deep in the process of learning the "Army Way" of doing things.

In the two and a half months since they have been training here they have purchased a total of \$41,603.40 worth of them.

Approximately \$13,000 of the total was derived from pay reservations, and the remaining amount was purchased by the men at the pay table. Officials regard the war bonds sales record as particularly outstanding in view of the fact that many companies were unable to secure Class "A" Pay Reservation forms in time to complete their reports.

A new goal of \$100,000 has been set and a special sales campaign is getting under way to push the total well over that mark, declared 1st Lt. R. S. Hawley, in charge of war bond sales.

The 306th Medical Battalion, sounding their battle cry, "We keep the Wildcats fighting!" led the 81st Division bond buying parade with a 100 per cent record. Second honors went to the 318th Field Artillery Battalion with 70 per cent of the men subscribing. Third honor spot was won by the 316th Field Artillery Battalion with more than 50 per cent of the personnel making "Slap-a-Jap" purchases.

## Gen. Mueller

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of the Chief of Infantry as Secretary of the United States Infantry Association and as Editor of the Infantry Journal for three years ending June 15, 1927. One year later he was graduated from the Army War College, Washington, D. C., and on July 24, 1929, he completed a brief course at the Chemical Warfare School at Edgewood Arsenal, Md. For the next two years he commanded a battalion of the 38th Infantry at Fort Douglas, Utah, then joined the War Plans Division of the War Department General Staff as Chief of the Personnel and Military Intelligence Section. He was transferred to the Executive Section of the War Plans Division while on this tour of duty.

In August, 1934, General Mueller joined the 29th Infantry at Fort Benning, Ga., where he served as battalion commander and as regimental Plans and Training Officer, remaining there until August, 1935, after which he served as instructor at the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., for four years. On July 19, 1940, he became Chief of the Training Section in the Office of the Chief of Infantry. On October 14, 1941, he was assigned as Chief of Staff of the Second Army, Memphis, Tenn.

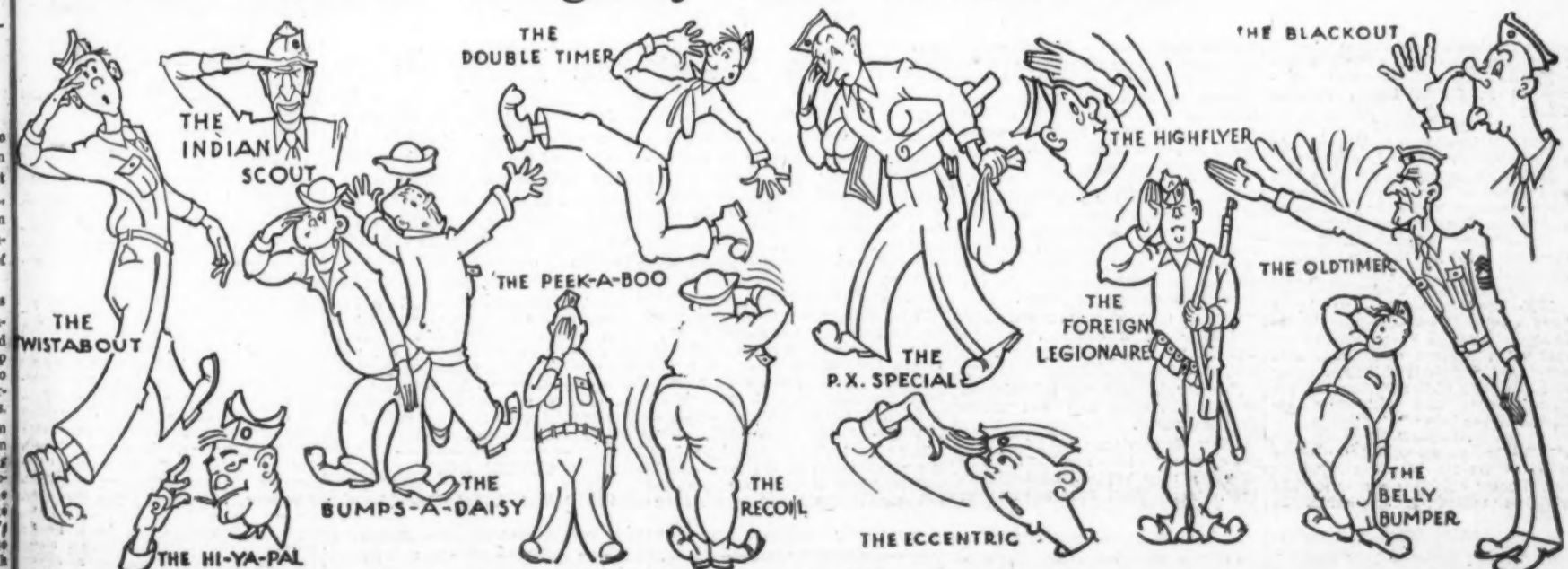
## Mail Delivered Despite Japs

Water-stained letters from the Philippines, long delayed but now at length delivered safely to the addresses, tell the story of a mail pouch recovered from the waters of the Pacific to bring belated news of the last days of Bataan and Corregidor, according to a War Department announcement last week.

The recent receipt of letters from members of the armed forces who were fighting in the Philippines led some of the recipients to think that new communication was being opened with the captured men. Actually the mail left the Philippines in March, probably by way of a submarine which transferred it in a mail pouch to a small freighter. Subsequently, the ship was torpedoed. The mail bag floating at the scene was pulled from the sea and its contents were forwarded to the Army Postal Service of the War Department which sent the letters on to the addresses.

The Army Postal Service has received letters of appreciation of the fact that despite obviously difficult circumstances the mail came through.

## Various Salutes Allegedly Seen at Hancock



By Pfc. Anslover, in Sandy Hook Foghorn, Fort Hancock N. J.

# Troops Construct Fake Tanks, Learn What They Look Like

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—A realistic tank identification contest gave Camp Stewart's anti-tank troops expert instruction in how to know steel monsters of this war.

Thirteen separate units entered models of both enemy and American tanks.

Built to life scale, the tanks were paraded before thousands of Stewart troops on the anti-aircraft firing range. A function of anti-aircraft is its use also as an anti-tank and anti-mechanized force.

Each model tank, as it swept past the soldiers, was accompanied by an officer in a jeep, who explained its salient features via loudspeaker.

A board of judges viewed the tanks, rated each on its lifelike appearance, materials used, coloring and the like, and awarded a first and second prize and honorable mention. First prize was an engraved plaque, a letter of noteworthy training performance and a three-day pass to each man participating in the work on the tank. Second prize included the letter and three-day pass to each participant.

Winners of the first prize, who built a realistic U. S. Heavy Tank T1, were Sgt. Harley B. Leach, Cpl. Booker T. Sanders, Pfc. Mose Nixon; and Pvt. James Anderson, Ulysses Moore and Frank Tremble, all Negro soldiers, under direction of Lt. Walter D. Swift.

Second prize winners, for their medium Flat-Ansaldo (Italian) Tank were Staff Sgt. Joseph H. Hammett, 1st Sgt. Robert Black, Sgts. H. E. Bishoff, D. J. Sweeney, Frank de Martino, Joe C. Peterman, and Cpls. David J. Tournay and Floyd E. Portell.

Other tank models submitted included German, Italian and Jap and five U. S. models.

Judges were Col. K. P. Flagg, Col. Arthur Lavery, Lt. Col. John H. Kochevar, Lt. Col. Nathan A. McLamb, and Major Lawrence A. Strobel. Field director of the contest was Capt. Edwin R. Culp, with Capt. Henry Whitney as announcer.

## This Week IN ARMY HISTORY

### AUGUST 22

1776—Although Congress had legislated over 50,000 men into the service, General Washington could muster only 8000 fit for duty.

1883—Lt. E. A. Garlington and his relief party for the Greely expedition reach Baffin Island after spending 27 hazardous days in open boats.

### AUGUST 23

1842—The Army is reduced to 8613. The total population of the United States is 17,000,000.

1937—First completely radio-controlled airplane landing in history, climaxing over two years of intensive research by Army Air Corps engineers.

### AUGUST 24

1862—The Confederate Army under General Bragg takes the offensive against the Federals who have been weakened by the loss of their one-year draft men.

1902—The United States Army Signal Corps completes the telegraph line of 428 miles between Fort Lisicum and Fort Egbert, Alaska, and opens the Valdez and Prince William Sound country to the outside world.

1909—Laying of concrete commenced in Gatun Locks, Panama Canal.

### AUGUST 25

1862—Enlistment of Negroes as soldiers authorized by Lincoln.

1905—The Army Signal School is established at Fort Leavenworth for the purpose of preparing officers for the Signal Corps for active duty.

1921—Treaty between U. S. and Germany restoring friendly relations signed at Berlin.

### AUGUST 26

1776—General Washington in a "pep note" advises his generals defending Brooklyn Heights that "the distinction between a well-regulated army and a mob is the good order and discipline of the former and the licentiousness and disorderly behavior of the latter."

### AUGUST 27

1923—By refueling their plane while in the air, Lieutenants Smith and Richter establish a new world's duration record of 37 hours, 15 minutes and 14 4/5 seconds.

### AUGUST 28

1914—The Army Signal Corps completes the Seattle and Sitka cable of 1070 miles, despite a series of continuous gales.



BECAUSE the boys who man the antiaircraft guns must also double as anti-tank and anti-mechanized units when the occasion arises, soldiers of Camp Stewart, Ga., this week staged a model tank contest. Thirteen units built tanks of nonessential materials and paraded them before nearly every soldier on the post to heighten interest in tank identification. The winning life-size model, above, is a U. S. Heavy Tank T1.

—Stewart PRO Photo

## TAPS

By Pvt. Aaron Bernstein, FARC, Fort Bragg, N. C.

No more your comrades' strident screams  
Shall mar your peaceful rest;  
Your battle's o'er, your strife is done,  
Sleep deep in Mother's breast.  
Farewell! Dear friend, farewell;  
The fever's past;  
Thou gone from us  
You know perhaps  
The bugler's playing Taps.  
Farewell, dear friend, your time has come,  
Tomorrow, then, my turn perhaps  
To cause the bugler's mellow notes  
Ring through the dusk  
With measured bars of Taps.  
How still upon the sunset's breast  
Their mellow, bell-like notes are prest,  
Through cannon roar, still all is quiet,  
As if 'twere silent, Holy night.  
The silver tones of Taps  
Still linger while the twilight falls,  
The saddest of the bugler's calls.  
The notes say, "Go to sleep and rest."  
Farewell, dear friend, farewell.  
Just one more look before I go,  
Just one more tear to fall,  
Just one salute to you, and then,  
God bless your soul, Amen.

## Voice Instructor Makes Sergeants Soft Spoken

NEW ORLEANS.—The New Orleans Army Air Base is making the commands of its sergeants intelligible.

This traditional "Hunt-toop-reoar" military gibberish is out for the duration. It is being replaced by plain, distinguishable "One-two-three-four."

Credit for one of the real Army improvements of the war goes to the base school office, directed by Maj. James A. Boyd, and to Pvt. Eugene A. Hensley, a former speech instructor. Private Hensley has made speech instruction a career, taking courses in both this country and England. He is fitting his civilian experience to Army duties by developing soft-spoken sergeants.

### No Yelling

"You don't have to yell," is the gist of his theme as he gets sergeants together for a daily, hourly class in oral commands. He teaches the non-coms melody, rhythm, inflection and how to project tones from the diaphragm instead of the throat.

"It's no trick at all to make yourself heard at a distance," he explained, "if you project your tones properly."

Hensley believes the softening of sergeants' speech also will soften their demeanor.

"Most sergeants are hard boiled in self-defense," he said. "Through shouting they get a shouting attitude. They think they have to be tough as nails to live up to their voices."

### War Value

"As a matter of fact, they can talk properly in a whisper and be heard just as far as when they're shouting."

"Wipe dat smile off yer puss, Buddy!"

Hensley also believes that correct speech is a valuable war weapon. Through proper enunciation, he pointed out, commands can be given to troops in concealment without revealing their position to the enemy.

## Camp Bowie Soldiers Learn How To Fight the Dirty Way

CAMP BOWIE, Tex.—Officers and enlisted men of the 744th Tank Battalion here are training in the tactics of "fightin' dirty" so that they will be prepared to meet any enemy hand-to-hand. They are learning Judo technique from Lt. Glynn O. Rogers, 744th special service officer, each Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 in the Camp Bowie field house.

These officers and men volunteered for the instruction and will, in turn, instruct the other men of their companies. Soldiers of other units who are free from duty during class hours are welcome to drop in on the training group to learn as much as they can.

The class isn't a pretty sight. Judo is a combination of the most deadly and disabling techniques of jiu-jitsu and the old-fashioned knock-down-and-drag-out fight in the tradition of a frontier bar-room brawl. It's rough-and-tumble, anything goes, no holds, kicks, punches or gouging barred. The only rule is to get the other guy before he gets you.

# Whole Camp Turns Out To Meet Soldier's Sister

CAMP CHAFFEE, Ark.—Cpl. George Russell of the 6th Armored Division here has a lot of buddies these days. Last week Corporal Russell's sister came to visit him.

Corporal Russell's sister is none other than one Rosalind Russell, she of movie fame. And while she was visiting George she shook hands with about 1,000 soldiers from the 6th Armored Division.

## Chow Hound

By Pvt. James Prindiville

MCCLELLAN FIELD, Calif.—A chow-hound is a soldier who was born with a silver spoon in his mouth and since has added a knife and fork.

Ask him what "chow-chow" is and the odds are that he will reply unhesitatingly, "Two helpings of dinner!" Chow to him means "polishing the bones" and the sooner we get started the better.

In military circles the chow-hound is "The Man Who Came to Dinner" for the duration plus six months.

He comes early and stays late. Often he has to be swept out of the mess hall along with the breadcrumbs and runaway peas.

Nothing would please him better than staking out a homestead on top of the table next to the sugar bowl.

The fan who sleeps next to the ball park ticket office all night so as to be the first man through the turnstile at the opening of the World's Series must have had his basic training in an Army chow line. No other guy could cinch the number one spot in the line so easily.

The bustling community of Chowchilla, situated some miles east of the Presidio of Monterey, Calif., is the chow-hound's idea of Paradise. The name enchants him. Give him a 24-hour pass and he'll be streaking eastward to visit his adopted birthplace. Any semblance of the term "chow" draws him like a magnet.

A chow-hound is not a condemned man but just the same he always eats a hearty breakfast. And dinner and supper.

He drinks more milk than the Dionne quint.

"One good egg deserves another," says he. "It's tough that there are only twelve to the dozen."

## Devens Digest

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—Two highly popular officers, one a chaplain and the other the post adjutant, left Fort Devens this week for undisciplined assignments. They are Chaplain Edward J. Kroencke of the 101st Cavalry and Maj. Thomas K. Lynch, who formerly commanded the post headquarters company.

Chaplain Kroencke is widely known in military and Lutheran Church circles, and his promotion to major while stationed here brought sincere well-wishes from a host of friends. He announced to his men, at the conclusion of an entertainment program in the 101st recreation building, that he was leaving and the troops, at first stunned by the news, spontaneously broke out into the "Cavalry Song" as a tribute to him.

Major Lynch was one of the most popular officers on the post. He has been at Devens since December, 1940, at which time he was commander of post headquarters company, now Headquarters Company No. 1111. In January of this year while still a captain, he was named post adjutant and in May he was made a major. His successor is Capt. D. Borden, whose military record includes nine years in the Massachusetts State Guard, eight years in the Officers Reserve Corps and two years of active service with the Regular Army.

Pfc. Joseph Sorofa, 22-year-old Providence youth attached as a photographic technician to the observation squadron at the Devens Air field, today has a \$25 War Bond in his name, first prize in the Fort Devens Digest photo contest, which he won with a picture showing four mechanics working on a huge airplane motor.

Honorable mentions were won by Sgt. Norman B. Dodge, of Cranston, R. I., showing the RRC chapel, Pvt. C. Fiola, showing a view of connecting board walks at the Lovell general hospital, and Corporal Quirk showing an action shot of soldiers attired in fatigue clothes climbing a pole.

Bob Burns, screen and radio star came here with the Roxy Theatre Revue and gave us four shows, two at our main playhouse, and others at the Lovell and New Station Hospitals. With him was a group of skilled entertainers who were seen by overflowing audiences.

While here Bob was the guest of Col. William A. Smith, post commander at the Officers Club, where he proved his reputation for homespun humor.

Sixteen full-blooded American Indians gave a 90-minute show in which they demonstrated their distinctive and colorful dances, the first time they have given an all-out performance for the Fort personnel. In full regalia they put on dance representative of their tribes, which include Pawnee, Choctaw, Creek, Cochiti, Acoma, Pottawatomie, Comanche, Kiowa, Cheyenne, Sioux, Arapahoe, Ponca and Otoe. Sergeant Lasley, whose Indian name is Rale, and Frank Carson, an Otoe whose Indian name is Bear Claws, gave solos while Sgt. Arnold Woodard sang a hymn in the Indian sign language.

### COUNT OFF!

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—The six Six brothers are ready to wage all-out war against the Axis, according to Pvt. Thomas F. Six.

Six has five brothers, three in the Army and two expecting to be called into service soon.

# The Mess Line

MMMMMMMMMMMMMM!  
Once, upon an evening dismal,  
handed her a paroxysmal  
class, and spoke her name baptismal—  
SPOKE her name—it was Lenore;  
Ah, she was a scrumptious creature,  
lib of tongue and fair of feature  
but, alas, I couldn't teach her,  
For she had been there before—  
and she winked at me and mur-  
mured,  
"Encore."  
Only that and nothing more.

The tall, thin, shavetail asked  
his colonel to make the platoon  
stop calling him "Legs."  
"Gladly," said the colonel, "if  
you'll make the regiment stop  
calling me 'Baldy'."

**COMPLAINT**  
We cannot find, for love or money,  
a joke that's clean and also funny.

"What's the trouble, Bud? You  
look as if you'd lost your last  
friend."

"Yeah, I just shot my dog."  
"Gosh—was he mad?"  
"Well, he wasn't happy."

**IT'S SIMPLE**  
With everybody wondering when  
his here second front will open, a  
proper title for this phase of the  
war could be:  
"Allies in Wonderland."

**BROTHER, THOSE ARE JAPS  
UP THERE IN ALASKA. THAT'S  
NO OPTICAL ALEUTIAN.**

Lady: "Why are you making  
faces at that bulldog?"  
Johnny (wailing): "He started  
at me!"

**NO KID, KID . . .**  
Three-word description of the Af-  
rican situation: Confidentially, it  
phinx!

"H. . . come you didn't turn out?  
Didn't you hear the bugler blow  
reveille?"  
"Honest, Sarge, I'm afraid I'm  
going to be a flop as a soldier. I  
don't know one tune from another."

**SO SAY WE ALL**  
Question of the Day: What are  
you going to do with your extra  
allowance?  
Answer: I'm going to save it—  
starting next month.

**BUT, GENERAL, YOU WOULDN'T  
CALL ME A DESERTER IF YOU  
NEW MY SERGEANT . . . I'M  
A REFUGEE!**

SUPPORT  
THE  
A.E.R.  
TAKE THE  
LOAD  
OFF THEIR FEET



MEAL—  
FICKLEN

BATTERY D  
1ST C.A  
DANCE

THANKS TO—  
LAWRENCE D. LEINING  
STY. D. 1ST C.A.  
FT. SHERMAN  
CANAL ZONE

"MacArthur's the name—but not the one you're thinking  
about."

## When in Rome . . .

If at first you don't understand the English when you arrive,  
keep your—uh—bags on. You will. Especially if you study this  
partial list of common expressions as they appear in English and  
American. Right? (We be danged if that SOUNDS right).—Ed.

**American**  
Aisle (theatre)—gangway  
alcohol lamp—spirit lamp  
apartment—flat  
ash can—dust bin  
baby carriage—perambulator,  
or pram  
baggage—luggage  
baggage car—luggage van  
beach—seaside  
biscuit—scone, or tea cake  
bowling alley—skittle alley  
business suit—lounge suit  
call up—ring up  
candy (hard)—boiled sweets  
candy store—sweet shop  
cane—stick  
can opener—tin opener, or key  
carom (billiards)—cannon  
chain store—multiple shop  
check baggage—register luggage  
checkers—draughts  
chicken yard—fowl run  
coal oil—paraffin  
collar button—collar stud  
cookie—biscuit  
cop—bobby  
corn—maize, or Indian corn  
corn meal—Indian meal  
cracker—biscuit (unsweetened)  
daylight-saving time—summer  
time  
derby (hat)—bowler, or hard hat  
dessert—sweet  
dishpan—washing-up bowl  
drygoods store—draper's shop

**British**  
fish dealer—fishmonger  
five-and-ten (store)—bazaar  
floorwalker—shopwalker  
fruit seller (or dealer)—fruiterer  
fruit store—fruiterer's  
fresh fruit—dessert (at the end  
of a meal)  
french fried potatoes—chips  
freight car—goods wagon  
garters (men's)—sock suspenders  
guy—bloke, fellow  
hardware—ironmongery  
headliner (vaudeville)—topliner  
hood (automobile)—bonnet  
huckster—coster, or hawk  
intermission—interval  
janitor—caretaker, or porter  
lawyer—solicitor  
legal holiday—bank holiday  
line up—queue up  
long distance (telephone)—trunks  
mailbox—pillar box  
marriage certificate—marriage lines  
molasses—black treacle  
monkey wrench—screw spanner  
movies—flicks  
newsstand—kiosk  
oatmeal (boiled)—porridge  
oil pan (automobile)—sump  
okay—righto  
orchestra seats—stalls  
pie (fruit)—tart  
pitcher—jug  
potato chips—crisps  
push cart—barrow  
railway car—railway carriage  
raincoat—mackintosh, or mac, or  
waterproof  
roast (of meat)—joint  
roller coaster—switchback railway  
rumble seat—dickey  
rubberneck wagon—char-a-banc  
silverware—plate  
slacks—bags  
soft drinks—minerals  
spark plug—sparkplug  
spigot (or faucet)—tap  
squash—vegetable marrow  
string bean—French bean  
suspenders (men's)—braces  
taxi stand—cab rank  
ten pins—nine pins  
thumb tack—drawing pin  
ticket office—booking office  
top (automobile)—hood  
transom (of door)—fanlight  
trolley—tram  
undershirt—vest, or singlet  
vest—waistcoat  
water heater—geyser  
windshield (automobile)—wind-  
screen

THANKS TO—  
M.C. SANUCCI  
C.A.S. UNIT 1918  
SANTA MONICA, CALIF

"Have you been a drinking man  
all your life?"  
"Not yet."

## The Army Press

Biggest prize ever offered by a post paper seeking a name was  
put up this week by The Gray Bonnet, organ of the 121st Infantry,  
at Fort Jackson, S. C. It's \$50 in War Bonds.

The Bonnet isn't seeking a new name, but one for the 8th Di-  
vision, which will set up a paper of its own after returning from  
maneuvers.

### Reason

It happened last week at Fort Ord, Calif., says Private Pann-Itt  
in the Panorama. There were 50 men up for OCS waiting in line for  
their physicals. One corporal turned to the man behind him.

"I dunno about this officer school stuff," he said. "If they have  
maneuvers this year, I'll be in school and won't get to go. I'd sure  
hate that."

"You don't mean," said the guy behind him, "that you really LIKE  
maneuvers?"

"Hell, yes," said the corp, and pulled a wallet for proof.

"Carolina," he said, and flashed a picture of a lovely blonde.

"Louisiana," and a brunette in a bathing suit was displayed.

"Washington." Another blonde.

"Sure gonna hate to miss maneuvers if they have 'em this year."

### Court of Missing Tricks

Reporters for the Fort Bliss (Tex.) Cavalcade may have missed  
lots of good feature stories in the not-too-distant past, they found  
out after listening to soldier-candidates for a spot on the Vox Pop  
program appearing recently at Bliss.

Things have really happened to people. One boy was forced  
to drive Chicago gangsters in a running gun battle with state  
patrolmen; another applicant was treed by a wild boar in Hawaii;  
others listed climbing a snow-capped volcano in Mexico City, and  
"swimming with a shark off Cape Cod."

Funny things happened to these birds too. Pvt. Lytton Taylor  
thought the funniest thing he ever saw was the time Nelson Eddy  
had his clothes torn off after his St. Louis concert. But another  
boy was sure his funniest experience was "getting drafted in the  
Army."

The very epitome of exciting events happened to Sgt. Myer  
Rosenberg. It was, he said, "hearing footsteps pass through a  
locked door and approach to the side of my bed."

But, jeez, Sarge, what happened then, what happened then?  
The suspense is terrible.

### Qualification

We saw it in The Fighting Ninth of Fort Sill, Okla. You might  
have got it elsewhere. A noncommissioned officer is supposed to  
have written this in an essay:

"It is commonly supposed that the first duty of a good soldier  
is to die for his country. This is a mistake. The first duty of a  
soldier is to make his enemies die for theirs."

### Request

Sgt. Francis Fitzharris of the Special Services office at Scott Field,  
Ill., reports this one in the Broadcaster.

A soldier phoned in to request that Jeannette MacDonald sing  
"Begin the Beguine" during a concert at the field last week.

The sergeant queried: "Do you think that's an appropriate num-  
ber for Miss MacDonald's voice?"

"Well, then," countered the private, "you think of one but put  
my name on the request."

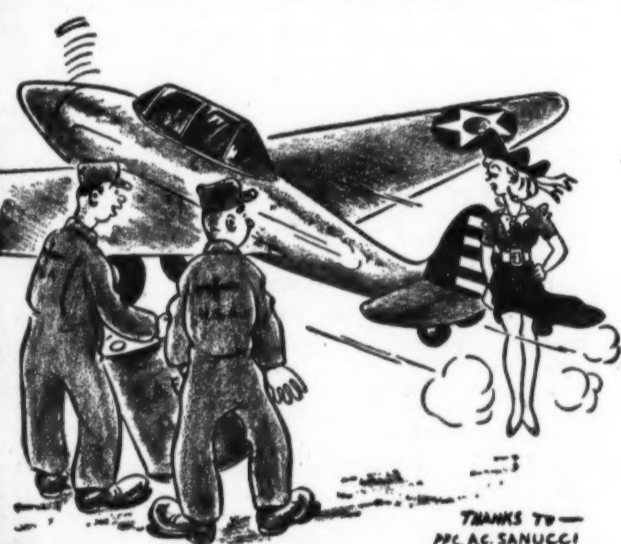
Happy Second Anniversary to the Falcon, 39th Infantry's paper  
at Fort Bragg, N. C.

### Sounds Reveille, Beats Retreat

Camp Edwards (Mass.) News tells one. Sgt. Gibbs, C. Gibbs  
(and that's not double-talk) is one sergeant who will be more observing  
in the future.

It was 5:40 a.m., and Sergeant Gibbs, who was on duty as charge  
of quarters, dashed into a barrack to wake up the soldiers. A shrill blast  
of the whistle brought 50 sleepy-eyed soldiers tumbling out of their  
bunks.

At about that time Sergeant Gibbs discovered his error and made  
a hasty retreat. He had awakened members of another company 30  
minutes ahead of time.



MEAL—  
FICKLEN

"And to think I wanted to join the anti-aircraft!"

YOUR DAUGHTER'S CHASING  
ME AGAIN



I TREAT  
HER TO COLA  
AND SHE GETS  
MAD



MAYBE IT ISN'T  
THE RIGHT COLA  
I'LL TELL YOU  
HER FAVORITE



ROYAL CROWN  
IS BY FAR THE  
BEST-TASTING  
COLA



ABSOLUTELY!  
BEST I EVER  
RAN INTO!



LEON ERROL SAYS:  
THE TASTE-TEST  
SOLD ME!





"I'M WEAK AS A KITTEN. This heat is getting me down." So says Pvt. Frank S. Altinger, former professional wrestler who pounded into medical replacement center at Camp Berkeley, Tex., last week. Altinger, who towers 6 feet, 4 inches and weighs 250 pounds, wrestled under the name of "Fred von Schact" until May. He has met such famed muscle artists as former champions Jim Londos and Bronko Nagurski. He scored a win over the latter. Up there on his shoulders where he hopes to have bars some day are Lloyd Randal, 4 feet, 11½ inches, and Pvt. Manuel Garsula, 4 feet, 11 inches. Garsula, who is a member of the same company as Altinger, weighs a mere 90 pounds.

## Table Tennis

### Champ Seeks New Trophy To Add to His Collection

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Now batting the ball for Uncle Sam in the 23th Division is Pvt. Perry L. Phillips, 26-year-old selectee from Michigan, a table tennis champ for six years and winner of enough trophies and medals to stock a pawn shop. When he isn't sighting a target or typing a report in the adjutant general's office, where he is on duty, Phillips can be found on the business end of a tennis paddle at the Livingston Service Club or at one of the local USO clubs.

#### Camp Champ

Besides making a name for himself in table tennis circles in civilian life, Phillips added to his laurels when he took time out from his soldiering to dethrone the Camp Livingston champion, Pvt. Seymour Schwartz, last April.

When he won the doubles championship of Grand Rapids in 1935, '36, '37, '38, '39 and '41, he had his eye on trophies and medals to add to his collection at home, but now

he scans the Camp Livingston and USO programs for games that offer steak dinners and shows as prizes. He has been well entertained and admits he has gained quite a few pounds in this way.

In 1936, after winning the Michigan Centennial championship, the South Michigan open, and the West Michigan open, Perry went to Philadelphia to play in the national tournament as West Michigan representative. The following year he became vice-president of the Michigan Table Tennis Association.

#### Met Experts

When he once sharpened his eye in exhibition games with such champs as Sandor Glancz, Laszlo Blask and Sol Schiff, he now plays the game to sharpen his eye for the day when he might squint through the business end of a rifle sight.

Perry hopes that when the war is over he will return with a trophy to outshine the ones he has at home—preferably a German helmet or a Japanese sword.

## Inter-Post Sports Out

SHEPPARD FIELD, Tex.—There'll be no inter-post sports squads here because of the war, Col. H. B. Claggett, commanding officer, announced last week.

The colonel said that transportation difficulties and the loss of vital man-power days from training do not justify the time, money and effort necessary to maintain inter-camp squads.

Sports, he added, are important and there will be no interference with the regular athletic program on the field. Intra-camp games between the squadrons will be encouraged.

Under the new set-up, time and equipment will be devoted to all the men and all will benefit, whereas previously when games were played off the field, only the participants were benefited.

## League Standings

THRU WED., AUG. 19

### American League

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
New York	78	40	.661	
Boston	66	51	.564	11½
Cleveland	62	56	.523	15
St. Louis	63	57	.521	16½
Detroit	60	62	.492	20
Chicago	59	63	.484	21
Washington	47	68	.418	28½
Philadelphia	46	77	.374	34½

### National League

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Brooklyn	79	35	.693	
St. Louis	74	42	.638	5½
New York	65	53	.551	16
Cincinnati	58	57	.504	21½
Pittsburgh	54	59	.478	25
Chicago	54	68	.443	29
Boston	48	72	.400	34½
Philadelphia	32	79	.288	46

## Baseball Scores

SATURDAY, AUG. 15

American League  
Chicago 4, Detroit 2.  
Philadelphia 3-3, New York 1-5.  
Boston 2-7, Washington 1-6.  
National League  
Brooklyn 5, Boston 4.  
New York 5-4, Philadelphia 3-3.  
Pittsburgh 8-3, Chicago 5-7.

SUNDAY, AUG. 16

American League  
Boston 6-10, Washington 4-3.  
New York 11, Philadelphia 2 (called at end of 6th, weather).  
Detroit 3-7, Chicago 2-3 (1st game 11 in.).  
Cleveland 3-1, St. Louis, 2-6 (1st game 11 in.).  
National League  
Boston 2, Brooklyn 0.  
Chicago 5-4, Pittsburgh 1-1.  
St. Louis 10-6, Cincinnati 5-3.  
New York, 6, Philadelphia 5.

MONDAY, AUG. 17

American League  
New York 15, Philadelphia 0.  
St. Louis 5, Cleveland 2.  
National League  
St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 2.  
New York 3, Boston 2.

TUESDAY, AUG. 18

American League  
Washington 2, Philadelphia 1.  
Boston 8, New York 7 (10 in.).  
St. Louis 7, Chicago 0.  
National League  
New York 10, Boston 2.  
Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 0.  
Philadelphia 3, Brooklyn 1.  
St. Louis 5, Chicago 0.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 19

American League  
Philadelphia 5, Washington 0.  
New York 4-2, Boston 6-1.  
Detroit 6, Cleveland 1.  
National League  
Brooklyn 11, Boston 1.  
Pittsburgh 9, Cincinnati 2.  
St. Louis 5, Chicago 1.

## Baseball Roundup

The major leagues last week saw the Yankees set a new double play record and second-place clubs slash a couple of games off the league-leaders' margins.

The world champions reeled off seven double plays against the Athletics in setting their new major league mark. Previously the record was six, and several clubs shared it. St. Louis moved up to within six and a half games of the Dodgers in the National League as Brooklyn began to slump and lose to second division clubs. Meanwhile, the Cardinals were pushing the Cincinnati Reds out of the running. The Reds' pitchers, who all season long valiantly have been keeping their weak-hitting team in a threatening position, failed to hold either St. Louis or first-place Pittsburgh. As a result, the New York Giants moved into third position and entrenched themselves firmly.

In the American League, Boston managed to move up a notch and a half in what looked like a futile last-stretch gesture. The Yanks are still 11½ games in front.

### No Favorites Here

COCHRAN FIELD, Ga.—Cochran Field is giving a playor to each of the Army's all-star squads. Sgt. Joseph Daniels, 225-pound tackle, former Georgetown University co-captain, will serve on the eastern squad. Second Lieut. Syrus H. Johnson, former Minnesota tackle, will train with the western team.

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# Jacobs Still Eyes Conn-Louis Bout

NEW YORK—Promoter Mike Jacobs is a hard man to down. For weeks he's been trying to get the War Department to okeh plan to stage a gigantic outdoor bout between Soldiers Joe Conn and Billy Louis. Now—as the autumn winds blow closer and closer—he says wistfully, "It could always be held indoors."

Mike had just about given up hope at the outdoor match he had in mind—a heavyweight title fight with the Army Emergency Relief taking share of the gate—can be staged.

"I haven't heard a word from the War Department and don't know whether it even considers letting Conn and Louis fight," he says. "It's getting pretty late to put it across outdoors, so I don't hold much hope, but then it could always be held indoors."

Meanwhile, both Louis and Conn are going seriously about their business of learning to be soldiers and the Army doesn't seem too anxious to take them away from duty. Part of the trouble, it is said, is that military men are getting a bit leary of big-time promoters who shove generous offers to share the gate with Army Relief under their noses. After this, the Army wants it all. In the original plans, as Mike

Jacobs outlined them, Louis was to take a cut of the gate—just enough to let him get rid of a few of his debts and pay an installment on his income tax. But the way Army men look at it, Joe has a moratorium on his debts and on his tax. He doesn't need the money; he's drawing his monthly allowance from Uncle Sam. Another drawback to Mike's plans was a squabble over radio rights. Originally Jacobs had made an agreement with one network, but another network stepped in and asked if this was to be a patriotic event why couldn't it get in on the show. Mike's willing to dicker. Now he'll let the Army make the arrangements for radio rights.

Mike keeps on hoping. "I could promote the fight in three weeks and with both men in good shape due to Army training they might be able to make it on such short notice. In all fairness to them, however, they should be given six weeks in which to train."

## Barkeley Bags Texas Title

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Backed by the wall, Camp Barkeley's all-star baseballers fought back with striking force to blast the Sheppard Field mechanics, 8-5 and 4-2, to win their second and third games in a five-game series and grab the Texas all-pro baseball title last weekend at Waco, Tex.

Coming up to the final games of the series, Sheppard Field needed but one game to snag the title but couldn't solve the slants of Waymon Krsleck, former Atlanta and Philadelphia hurler, and Pete Angell, a Detroit chain member, and lost their chance for the cup.

Previous to this, Barkeley had won the first fray, 5-4, then dropped the next two in a row, 6-5 and 10-0. Beccar, third sacker for the Barkeley nine, was awarded the trophy for being the "most valuable" player in the meet.

The victories gave Barkeley the right to compete in the national tournament at Wichita, Kan., next week but the All-Stars were forced to turn down the bid when unit commanders were unable to release players from their training schedule.

Capt. James Bridges managed and coached the Barkeley team throughout the season.

## Big Ten Will Toughen 'Em

IOWA CITY, Ia.—Students in Big Ten universities can get ready now for a more strenuous athletic program this fall intended to prepare them for possible war service, Big Ten coaches and athletic directors announced at their meeting at the University of Iowa.

Part of the coaches' time was given over to a study of the Navy's tough eight-flight school here.

They all agreed that physical education should be compulsory in high schools.

According to Maj. John L. Griffith, commissioner of Big Ten athletics, the coaches "have felt that there could be a more cover-all athletic program for youth ever since the war." But, he said, this is the first time they've been able to convince the Army and Navy.

Physical education is compulsory in all Big Ten schools at present, but the most revolutionary change to be announced so far for this fall at Michigan, where the 6,000 male students will take an hour and a half of physical training three days a week.

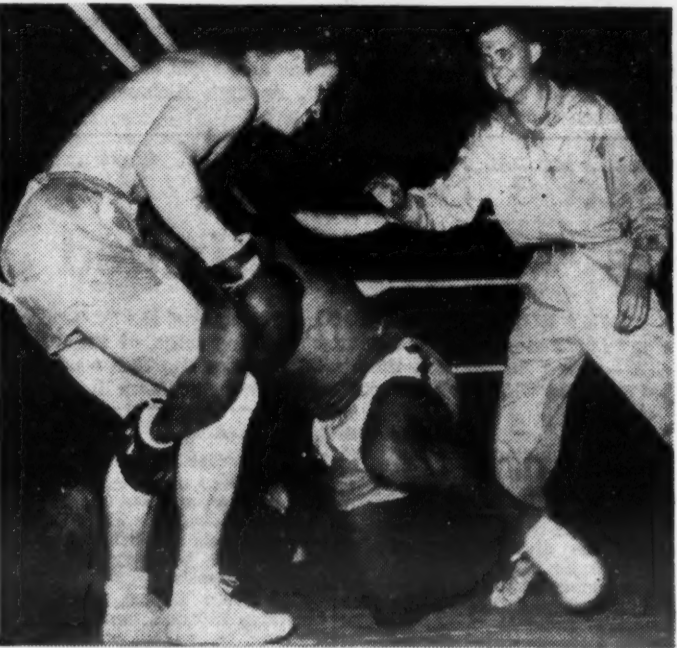
## Double KO

SCOTT FIELD, Ill.—Did they win or did they lose? Here's the story. You decide.

Two Scott Field privates, Charles Haffer and Ted Cuellar were slugging at each other in one of the weekly intersquadron boxing bouts. For two rounds they fought on even terms, but in the third both answered the bell set for a quick KO in mind.

Both let loose with simultaneous haymakers and sent each other sprawling on the canvas. The referee counted them both out. Did they both win? Or did they both lose?

## Oops, Pardner! I Just Slipped



ONTO HIS KNEES went Albert Moore as he slipped to the canvas in his open middleweight match with Andy Dietz at Camp Crowder, Mo., last week. The fight, in which Moore was outpointed by Dietz, was part of a big four-night boxing tournament. —Photo by PRO, Camp Crowder

## Larry Would Desert Bums For Army

BROOKLYN—Larry MacPhail, president of the Brooklyn Dodgers, whose "Bums" are the scrappiest ball club in the National League, has decided to do his fighting some place other than the ball field.

The fiery prexy of the league-leading Brooks said he was going to rejoin the Army just as soon as the World Series is over—if the Army will have him. In order to make certain, he's been dieting and taking special exercises to get in condition.

MacPhail, a captain in the Army last time, was scheduled for promotion to major when the armistice interfered. His son, Bill, is an ensign in the Navy, while Larry Jr., general manager of the Toronto team in the International League, plans to enlist in the Navy as soon as the baseball season is over.

The big chief of the Brooklyn club will be sacrificing the two remaining seasons of his five-year contract at more than \$50,000 a year. But he'll bring plenty of ideas to the Army. Among his innovations in the major league were night and twilight ball, helmets, the yellow ball, local broadcast of games, chartered planes for complete road trips and organ music at the ball park.

## Ex-Senator All Cut Up by Barbed Wire

CAMP WHEELER, Ga.—They are calling Cecil Travis, who used to be batting star of the Washington Senators in the American League, the "bad-luck boy of Army baseball." Travis, who is third baseman of the Camp Wheeler Spokes, was cut seriously about the face when he ran into a barbed wire fence while catching flies in a pre-game batting practice at Thomaston, Ga., last week.

Travis, who just a month ago suffered a deep cut in the bridge of his nose and a black eye when a grounder hit him, suffered lacerations around his right eye and under his right jaw, the right eye requiring five stitches and the jaw six.

Despite the injuries he continued playing with the team.

## Sergeant Tells How Clowns Clicked

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Other ball players of the 8th Armored Division may be content to wear a regulation uniform, but for sentimental reasons Sgt. Sidney (Hank) Kleiman of the 36th Armored Regiment always appears on the diamond in a number that would make the rainbow pale in comparison.

The uniform, a natty red, yellow and green number, is that of the Philadelphia Clowns, a team which the sergeant organized when attendance at his team's semi-pro games kept falling off. Kleiman, 28-year-old first baseman and relief pitcher for the 36th, declares that the Clowns not only managed to play to large crowds but also combined some good playing with their spirited antics.

As evidence, he recalls that the team managed to win 75 per cent of its games. It got an invitation

to play in New York and later met the championship team of Atlantic City. The resort men, fresh from a winning streak of 18 games, were nicely defeated by a score of 4 to 1.

The Clowns wore a multi-colored uniform which was a cross between the costume of circus comedians and the regulation suit of the major leagues, and most of their stunts, according to Kleiman, would have done credit to Ringling Brothers itself.

"When one of our pitchers was

knocked out of the game, we never sent him to the showers," relates Kleiman. "Instead we brought the shower to him." If that was not enough, obliging teammates threw buckets of water over the man.

The Clowns also shot blank cartridges at umpires who gave raw decisions, came up to bat with clubs six feet long, and got down on their knees for low pitches, with no intention of influencing the umpire, of course. The boys were pretty handy with a ball too, catching it back-hand, bouncing it off a knee into a glove and going through a veritable contortionist routine when they wound up.

## 13 Crowder Fighters Slug Way to Camp Championships

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Thirteen novices and open-class champions were crowned in the finals of Camp Crowder's four-night boxing tournament here last week.

Cpl. Harold Stevens, of Minneapolis, veteran of Star-Journal Golden Gloves tournaments, was adjudged the most outstanding boxer and received a special prize, a \$25 war bond. Handsome bronze championship cups were awarded to winners in all weight divisions, and runners-up were given watch chain glove charms. Presentation of the trophies was made by Col. Robert A. Willard, commanding officer of the SCRTC.

Stevens, who won the most outstanding boxer award, outpointed Charles Kasic, former Duke university miltman, in the finals of the open welterweight class. Both boys showed plenty of experience, as well as a yen to mix it up freely. Stevens, the cooler and more methodical of the two, boxed nicely, spearing Kasic with long lefts and chopping

him on the whiskers with sharp rights.

Results of other final bouts were: Robley Himel outpointed Bob O'Brien, novice welterweights. Cecil McGrew won on forfeit from R. B. Werren, novice welterweights. Henry Rousseau outpointed William Rounds, novice welterweights. William Jones, Negro, won on forfeit from George Pfeiffer, novice lightweights.

Mike Yoblonski stopped R. J. DeGraw, in 1:10 of first round, novice heavyweights.

Joe Capizzo outpointed Leonard Grimes, open featherweights.

Blaine Hulmston knocked out Henry Lawrence, in 1:07 of the second round, open lightweights.

Andy Dietz outpointed Albert Moore, Negro, open middleweights.

Gene Davis outpointed Earle Mays, Negro, open light-heavyweights.

Stewart Verplank outpointed Roscoe Humphries, Negro, open heavyweights.

Ed Nugent was unopposed in the novice featherweight division, and James Clark, Negro entrant, was without opposition in the open flyweight class.

Lt. William F. Krickhan, Jr., athletic officer in charge of the tournament, announced plans for the organization of a Camp Crowder boxing team to meet a squad from Fort Leonard Wood.

## Bugler Took Up Boxing in Self Defense—Now Look at Him

FORT HANCOCK, N. J. — When Pvt. John J. Savello became a bugler in his Coast Artillery regiment, he took up boxing—in self-defense. And ever since, his buddies in his battery have never spoken out of order to him, even though they have groused a bit at reveille.

A slim lad of 120 pounds, Private Savello said he found his size was not consistent with his duties as a bugler unless he acquired a little skill in barracks battling.

This was impressed upon him one night as he was blowing taps. He said:

"A soldier got sore because I woke him up. He tossed an electric light bulb at me. I didn't do too well in the scrap when we settled the incident. So I figured I'd better learn how to handle my dukes or I'd be having lots of trouble."

Private Savello did, and has given more trouble than he has received—all in the ring, of course. Of the 29 bouts that he has had as a member

of the Fort Hancock boxing team, he has lost only two. His bugling has gone unmolested.

Every morning, Sundays included, he gets up at 4:45 (the cook who has an alarm clock routs him out of bed) and does a little roadwork until he sounds first call at 6 and reveille at 6:10. Private Savello hies himself to his cot about 8:30 in the evening.

## Chanute Eyes Basketball Season Despite Losses

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.—Basketball prospects here suffered a heavy blow with the recent transfer from the post of Dar Hutchins, Francis O'Donnell and Herb Scheffler. All were members of the great 1941-42 Chanute team which beat the University of Illinois' Big 10 champions.

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# When "Butch" Howls, Give Him Beer; He's Thirsty

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—"Butch"—the beer-drinking mascot of Battery E, 506th Coast Artillery—

—is quite a dog. He has hobnobbed with generals, been on maneuvers twice and has also spent some time in the guardhouse during his two years' service with the Army. First Sgt. Kenneth Richman is Butch's master, having received him as a gift when the dog was four months old.

Ranking distinction for "Butch" is his weakness for malt beverages and it is not unusual for him to put in an appearance at the 506th's canteen and walk about on his hind legs pleading for a drop or two of beer. He will drink all he can get and he has never been known to spurn an invitation to have a taste.

He apparently knows his capacity for no one has ever seen him the least bit tipsy. His soldier friends also regulate the amount of beer "Butch" gets on any given occasion. He is part chow and part police dog.

## Doesn't Like Civilians

The police dog strain is noticeable in "Butch." A soldier in civilian clothes is easily spotted by him. "Butch" is not too fond of civilians. He is a stickler for regulations and shows his displeasure when soldiers wear civilian shoes.

How "Butch" made the guard house is a story in itself. He was soldiering with the 62nd Coast Artillery, then stationed at Fort Totten, N. Y. An important regimental review was in progress when "Butch" dashed out on the parade grounds and nipped at the trouser cuffs of Colonel Small, the commanding officer.

Legend has it that for the offense, "Butch" was slapped in the guard house for 24 hours and then confined to quarters for 14 days. So well-beloved is "Butch" that several men volunteered to walk him an hour each day of his sentence.

## Amuses Generals

The boys in the 506th have a rubber ball which they toss for "Butch" to retrieve. Lt. Gen. Hugh Drum, Maj. Gen. Jarman and Brig. Gen. Lewis met "Butch" last year and had an enjoyable time with him, throwing the ball for him and reviewing some of his other accomplishments, but as far as can be learned they did not experiment with his beer-drinking proclivities.

"Butch" took part in maneuvers in Carolina, being on both the Red and Blue sides as his master changed sides. He has also been on maneuvers in upstate New York. There the weather was cold and "Butch" was eagerly sought as a bed companion, since he gave a bed added warmth. He now turns in at the foot of his master's bed.

# Battle Streamers Wave As 78th Is Activated

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Battle streamers of the 78th "Lightning" Division—one of the greatest fighting units of the 1917-18 AEF—waved for the first time in 23 years as the 78th was reborn last Saturday with a colorful military ceremony at Camp Butner, N.C.

The high point of the dramatic Aviation Day program, replete with appropriate military ceremony and stirring march music, came when Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Parker Jr., commanding general of the Lightning Division, was presented the national colors, the division distinguishing flag with its battle streamers that tell the story of the 78th's brilliant war record and the commanding general's personal flag. General Parker later presented the national and organizational standards and colors to his regiments and battalions.

A large gathering of guests, including several distinguished civilian and military figures looked on as the 78th once again joined America's fighting forces as a combat division.

## Sets Principles

General Parker himself set forth the single "constant, motivating principle" that will guide the Lightning Division in its training and in actual combat.

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"Let every soldier in the 78th Lightning Division, during the next few months, do everything in his power to improve himself and his organization so that when this Great Division be called to fight the German or the Jap, it will go forward with pride and gain its goal."

"We, you and I, enjoying the privilege of living in a free land, will spill our blood and lay down our lives, if necessary, to protect our homes and loved ones and preserve our right to live in freedom. This will be the battle creed of the 78th—the Lightning Division."



WHILE civilians scour scrap piles, the Army is saving its own rubber for combat service. Here, Tech. Sgt. Charles Rineer of the 28th Division at Camp Livingston, La., removes the rear dual wheels from his truck while in training. He'll save the extra tires for the day his outfit goes overseas. That's his own salute to Hitler, inside the rim.

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# Metal Desks, Chairs Out

No more new metal office furniture not already in the hands of dealers will be purchased by the Army, the Services of Supply of the War Department announced.

This action is taken to conserve metals for vital war purposes. The Army's stop-order cancels all contracts not three-fourths fabricated by Aug. 10.

The restrictions apply to such metal items as desks, chairs, filing equipment, safes, cabinets, coat and hat racks, tables, trays, cuspidors, and such classed as office furniture and equipment. Office machines and appliances having an operational function are not affected.

The Army has been purchasing wood office furniture for several months, having requested no metal furniture since April. Any special articles of steel which have been purchased were from existing stocks.



# Birthday Greetings

(Continued from Page 2)

Headquarters 76th Infantry Division, Fort George G. Meade, Md.  
Congratulations to the Army Times as it completes its second year of publication.

The Army Times presents the features of army life in which the officers and men are most interested. The articles published give a picture of the activities taking place throughout the Army as a whole, letting us know what the "Other Fellow" is doing to make it tough on the Axis. The serious articles as well as the humorous are presented in an interesting and enlightening manner.

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**EMIL F. REINHARDT,**  
Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters, Headquarters Sixth Corps Area, Chicago, Illinois.

At this beginning of the third year of publication of Army Times, I wish to assure you and the members of your Staff of my appreciation of the excellent and vitally important work which the Army Times has achieved since its birth.

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May its good work be continued.

**GEORGE GRUNERT,**  
Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters, 82nd Infantry Division, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.

Please accept mine and the congratulations of the 82nd Division on the completion of Army Times' second year of publication.

Army Times seems to fill the need it is designed to accomplish in a very fine manner. Much material of general interest to the Army as a whole appears in each issue.

Please accept my very good wishes for your continued success in serving the Army with timely news.

**M. B. RIDGEWAY,**  
Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Commanding

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Congratulations to ARMY TIMES upon completing two years of publication as a service to the officers and enlisted men of the Army.

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**J. A. WARDEN,**  
Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Office of the Commanding General, Camp Grant, Ill.

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Good luck to you as you begin your third year of publication.

**JOHN M. WILLIS,**  
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Headquarters Medical Replacement Training Center, Camp Pickett, Va.

It gives me great pleasure to express my appreciation of the wonderful service that ARMY TIMES is rendering to the new Army. Its columns are informative and useful in the training of soldiers.

**W. R. DEAR,**  
Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Chico Army Flying School, Chico, Calif.

Congratulations on your Second Anniversary and with sincere wishes that your third year of publication will find you rendering even greater service to our armed forces.

**JOHN K. NISSLEY,**  
Colonel, Air Corps, Commanding

Headquarters Camp Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo, Calif.

We consider your paper one of the most valuable private publications which we receive containing news of the Army. We are particularly pleased with the way you cover news from various camps and appreciate the space you have given, from time to time, to news furnished by us.

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**H. T. BULL,**  
Colonel, Cavalry, Commanding

Headquarters 4th Motorized Division, Camp Gordon, Ga.

ARMY TIMES is read by a large portion of this division and is apparently much enjoyed. ARMY TIMES is to be congratulated in its two years of successful publication.

**J. S. RODWELL,**  
Colonel, General Staff Corps, Chief of Staff

Headquarters Antiaircraft Training Center, Camp Stewart, Ga.

Camp Stewart notes with genuine enthusiasm the Second Anniversary of ARMY TIMES and on behalf of the officers and men of the antiaircraft training center we extend to your excellent publication our heartiest congratulations and all best wishes for its successful continuance.

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The battery has solved one of its outstanding problems by appointing as battery clerk the soldier with one of the longest names in the division.

His name is Cpl. Fernando Bernardino Parascandolo.

### ROUND ONE

"They say the first hundred years are the hardest," said Cpl Robert Scheer, "but what a way to end a year of service."

He stretched himself futilely once or twice and collapsed on his bed. A member of the 182nd Field Artillery, he had just completed his 25-mile hardening march and it was the first anniversary of his induction into the Army.

### GOOD GUY

Cpl. Larry Harris, a victim of his own poorly managed budget, was ambled along Highway 24 when a shining Pontiac came to a halt and a friendly voice called, "Hey, fella, do you want a lift?"

"A real guy," thought the corporal, vaguely recognizing an officer's uniform, as he was swept into a vigorous discussion of Army life and maroon Pontiacs. Two other soldiers were acquired. The loquacious corporal, turning to view them, gulped and stammered as he stared at two stars on his benefactor's shoulder, Maj. Gen. John H. Heister!

Pfc. George J. Lacourse Jr., a member of Company D, 100th Infantry, is no longer the possessor of the German helmet his father gave him from World War No. 1. The other day he received a letter that his young sister had turned it over to the scrap drive conducted in Bristol, Conn. The helmet was part of the 650,000 pounds of scrap collected in that town.

### EXPERIENCE

The boys of the 43rd Division Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop may have forgotten about their recent party, but it's still a "big" topic with Pfc. Kenneth Blinkhorn, shortest member of the troop. His dancing partner was—you might know—the tallest girl present.

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# Cut in Press Staffs Affects All Units

Drastic cuts in Army public relations staffs, from the BPR in Washington to small units in the field, will be made on or before October 1 in compliance with a War Department directive issued last week.

Object is to eliminate "the present overlapping and duplication of activities, and to reduce personnel work." The directive states:

"The Director of the War Department Bureau of Public Relations will organize his bureau so as to provide for adequate representation within the public relations offices of the Army Ground Forces, the Army Air Forces, and the Services of Supply. All public relations activities that involve the use of such national and regional media as the press, radio networks, motion pictures, and magazines, will be cleared through the War Department Bureau of Public Relations. Public relations offices in the field are authorized to clear public relations activities under prescribed rules.

"In lieu of the public relations offices now operating at the headquarters of the Army Ground Forces, the Army Air Forces, and the Services of Supply, on Office of Technical Information with a personnel strength of not to exceed four officers and eight enlisted men or civilians will be established at each of these headquarters. These offices will provide direct liaison between the organizations which they serve and the War Department Bureau of Public Relations. They will engage in the staff functions of planning or recommending public relations activities, the actual dissemination of which will be carried out by the War Department Bureau of Public Relations.

"Army Ground Forces Commands, Army Air Forces Commands, Defense Commands, Service Commands, and Administrative and Supply Services, Services of Supply, will restrict their public relations activities so that not more than two officers and four civilian employees or enlisted men will be employed in each office, command or agency.

"Training centers, replacement training centers, schools, and miscellaneous installations whose strength exceeds 5,000 men will operate their public relations activities so that the services of not more than two officers and two civilians or enlisted men will be required.

"Organizations and installations having a strength of less than 5,000 men will conduct their public relations activities so that the services of not more than one officer and one civilian employee or enlisted man will be required.

"In small commands and installations every effort will be made to conduct public relations activities in such a manner that the work may be performed as a part-time additional duty, subordinate to more important military assignments.

"The above allotments of officers and enlisted men or civilians will not be exceeded without specific authority from the War Department.

"Commanders will make every effort to carry out these provisions as early as practicable, and under no circumstances later than October 1, 1942."

## C.O. of 2nd Div. Artillery Holds Congressional Medal

FORT SAM HOUSTON, Tex.—Col. George P. Hays, artillery commander of the 2nd Infantry Division, who was nominated this week by President Roosevelt to be promoted to the rank of brigadier general, is one of 95 veterans of World War I to have received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The medal was awarded for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty" when Colonel Hays was a first lieutenant in the 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Division, in action with the enemy near Greves Farm, France, July 14-15, 1918.

The citation states:

"At the very outset of the unprecedented artillery bombardment by the enemy of July 14-15, 1918, his line of communication was destroyed beyond repair. Despite the hazard attached to the mission of runner, he immediately set out to establish contact with the neighboring post of command and further established liaison with two French batteries, visiting their position so frequently that he was mainly responsible for the accurate fire therefrom.

"While thus engaged, seven horses were shot from under him and he was severely wounded. His activity under severe fire was an important

## Recruits In Crates

**Pigeon Training Center Moved to Camp Crowder From Monmouth**

CAMP CROWDER—The arrival of recruits here at the Signal Corps Replacement Training Center is no longer a novelty. But when they come in crates—that's news!

Recently, several hundred additions to the personnel did come in crates, all the way from Fort Monmouth, N. J., and most of them enjoyed the journey.

The newcomers were "feathered soldiers," members of the Pigeon Training Center which has been transferred from Fort Monmouth, headquarters since the first World War to Camp Crowder. Accompanying the birds were the pigeoners, a cadre of skilled breeders and trainers of carrier pigeons.

Heading the Pigeon Breeding and Training Center is Capt. C. A. Poutre, commanding officer, assisted by Master Sgt. J. S. Losee, Lt. C. I. Angstrom, veterinarian for the unit, said that the birds all made fine travelers, even though they weren't under their own power.

A celebrity in the person of "Kaiser," 25-year-old warbird, headed the feathered delegation. "Kaiser" was captured from the Germans during the Meuse-Argonne offensive of 1918, and now travels in an especially constructed steel cage.

Two-way pigeons and night flyers are included in the outfit. The former are trained to fly to their objective and return to their starting point, while night flyers are trained to navigate in darkness, contrary to pigeon nature. Birds chosen for night flying are at first rehearsed at dawn, starting out earlier each morning until they become accustomed to darkness.

## Armored Force Replacement Center Gets New Commander

Maj. Gen. C. L. Scott, former commander of the 2nd Armored Division who recently returned to the United States from Egypt, will command the Armored Force replacement training center at Fort Knox, relieving Brig. Gen. Thompson Lawrence who has been assigned to duty at the Headquarters, Armored

# Dogs Will Be Trained for Army

The War Department announced last week an intensive program of training dogs under direction of the Remount Division, Quartermaster Corps, Services of Supply, for use by the Army. Designed to train dogs as sentries, messengers, pack dogs, airplane spotters, how to attack enemy parachute troopers, and for other purposes, the program will shortly be inaugurated upon completion of kennels at the Quartermaster remount depot at Front Royal, Va.

Dogs for Defense, Inc., a private organization of dog fanciers formed to make voluntary contributions of dogs for the war effort, will continue to act as the Army's procurement agency for dogs needed for training.

The breeds most desired by the Army for sentries and messengers are: Doberman Pinscher, Airedale, Boxer, Collie, Retriever, German Shepherd, Great Dane, Bulldog, French Poodle; for sledge duty, Malamute and Siberian Husky; for pack duty, Newfoundland, St. Bernard and Great Pyrenees. It is pointed out, however, that the individual qualifications of the dog, such as its temperament, ability to learn and follow commands, etc., are more important than the particular breed.

### Can't Be Gun-Shy

To be accepted for Army training by Dogs for Defense, Inc., a dog must be fairly large, in good health, from one to five years old and have a fearless disposition. It must show no tendency to be gun-shy. Dogs may be of either sex. A thorough physical examination is made of each dog before acceptance by a veterinarian.

## Over-Age Officers Given Opportunity

Officers below the grade of brigadier general of the Inactive Reserve of the Army, who were discharged between May 29 and Dec. 7, 1941, as a result of having passed the 64-year maximum age limit, will be reappointed in the Inactive Reserve upon application, the War Department announces.

Application must be made by the individual to the Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Officers in this group are those to whom reappointment was not offered by reason of attainment of age 64 upon the termination of their five-year appointment during the period between the declaration of an unlimited national emergency by the president on May 29, 1941, and the declaration of war on Dec. 8, 1941. All reserve commissions in effect at the declaration of war will be continued for the duration of the war plus six months.

Forces, Fort Knox, the War Department announced.

The replacement training center was constructed in the fall of 1940. Maj. Gen. Jack W. Heard, the first commander, was succeeded by General Lawrence in September, 1941. The original capacity of the training center has been increased considerably.

Situated on a reservation of more than 75,000 acres just east of Fort Knox is the school for the Armored Force soldiers. Troops are grounded in the basic technical and tactical training of their specialized job at the training center before being assigned to units.

The three-month period of training given to troops there stresses speed and teamwork. Instruction is given in the latest developments of tactical doctrine and on the newest equipment. The course starts with small unit training and works successively through to training in higher units. Both day and night operations are carried out.

## WD Bans Record Messages to AEF

The War Department announces that transmission of recorded, personal messages between troops in overseas station and relatives or friends in the United States, whether by short-wave radio broadcast or transportation of disks, will be discontinued.

It was stated that this method of communication is dangerous to the national security and is unsatisfactory in that there is no assurance the message will reach the person for whom it was intended.

The ban will not extend to participation of overseas troops in short-wave radio broadcasts sponsored by the War Department, or short-wave interview or entertainment programs approved by the War Department.

need for dogs is as sentries to guard camps, posts, beaches, munitions plants, etc. Dogs are unusually suited for this work because of keen senses of sight, smell and hearing which are much more acute than that of a person. Also they do not as easily as humans and do not need to be relieved as often from duty.

### Won't Bite

As a sentry the Army dog is trained to guard his post with fidelity. Taught obedience to commander, the dog warns of presence of a stranger by a low, just loud enough for his handler to hear. Through signals the dog is instructed to lead to the spot of attack the suspect or to give chase he tries to get away.

If given the command to attack the dog stalks without a sound, lying to cover while closing in. Near enough to attack, he leaps, biting the suspect by the wrist, holding on rather than biting until stranger's gun or club falls from hand. Once the intruder is disarmed the dog forces him to the ground and holds him helpless until guard arrives.

The training of dogs for other poses by the Army will be similar, thorough in teaching them to perform a definite task.

The use of dogs in warfare is new. In the World War, they were used to carry messages and seek wounded soldiers. During the Lorraine campaign, British troops used them to carry ammunition to soldiers first aid packs to wounded men. They also used dogs to drag sleds carrying injured soldiers to points where they might be treated. Dogs also used in warfare by the Axis nations.

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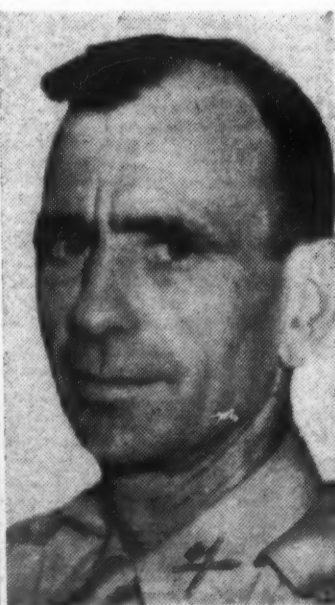
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